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Talk Together:

1. In verses 4-6, enumerate the things Paul has heard about the Colossian church?
2. In verses 9-11, what was Paul's primary prayer and hope for the Colossians?
3. In verse 12, why should we give thanks?
4. What lessons can you learn from the life of the Colossians?

Application:

How will you apply this lesson to your life?

Pray Together:

Dear Lord, thank you for all that You have done for us. Help us to be filled with the knowledge of Your will so that we can live a life that is pleasing to You. In Jesus' Name Amen.

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