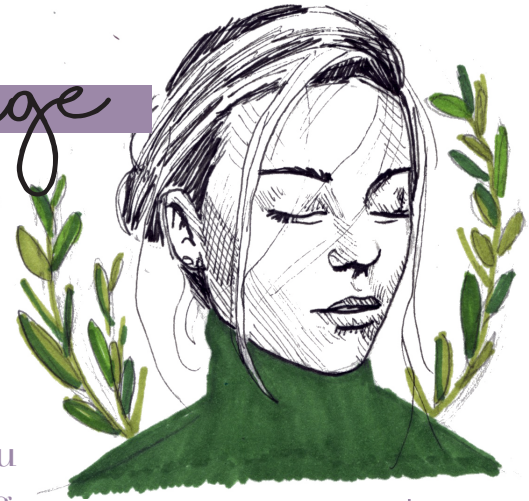


colossians 1:4-9

prayer challenge



4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge 6 even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you 7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Use the verse above to pray for a different friend (or someone you don't know too well) every day for the next seven days. Then, maybe you can challenge yourself to do another week! Or maybe find another verse. Praying Scripture is powerful!

thank God for them

("I give thanks to my God always for you")

Pray that they are "enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge." (especially cool if they have a very difficult situation coming up where they need clarity of speech, or if they're making a big decision and need Holy Help)

pray that they are a *testimony [for] Christ*

I'm super excited for our upcoming magazine (the Identity issue) because it has a great article on exactly this topic. It's easy to be a testimony for your blog; for your career; for your passion for listening to '60s music. But, when people think of you, do they think of Christ? Do they think of your supernatural joy? Your constant prayer? Wow. So rebuking.

pray that they realize they *are not lacking in any gift*

Contentment is so huge and so hard!! I was just thinking about this the other day. In every season of my life, I've never been content. Last year at this time, I was so stressed about soccer and dreaming of a time when I wouldn't have to worry about it. Years before that, I was so done with high school and just wanted to get into college. Now, I'm wishing both for soccer and high school days back. But, whatever season you're in right now, you can know that you are not lacking in any gift.

pray that Christ *sustains them*

We all need a bit of sustaining right now. Whether it's an upcoming job interview, countless school assignments, or piling bills, it's only during these difficult times that we really appreciate how much we need Christ's sustaining power.

day one	day two	day three	day four	day five	day six	day seven	bonus!