

PASSIONATE PRAYER **Philippians 1:8-11**

I. Paul in this passionate prayer makes three requests: (v. 9)

1. AN ABOUNDING _____

1 Thessalonians 3:12

"Love is . . ."

- *the first and foremost of all Christian characteristics – Galatians 5:22*
- *greatest of them all – 1 Corinthians 13:13*
- *foremost of all the commandments – John 13:34*
- *most convincing testimony to the world – John 13:35*
- *compelling force – 2 Corinthians 5:14*
- *continues when all other gifts cease – 1 Corinthians 13:8*
- *a necessary part of kingdom living is loving your enemy – Luke 6:27*

2. A GROWING _____ OF GOD

1 John 4:7

3. A DEEPER _____

Hebrews 5:14, Proverbs 5:1-2

II. Paul prays this so that you may:

1. TEST WHAT _____ (v.10)

Romans 2:18

2. BE _____ AND BLAMELESS (v. 10)

Ephesians 5:1-4

3. BE _____ (v. 11)

James 3:12, Galatians 5:6

4. GOD _____ (v. 11)

ACTION STEPS

1. MAKE THIS THE _____

Heavenly Father, as your child, may I have still more love—a love that is full of knowledge and wise insight. I want to be able always to recognize the highest and the best, and to live a sincere and blameless life until the day of Jesus Christ. I want my life full of true goodness, produced by the power that Jesus Christ gives to Your praise and glory.

2. PUT IT _____

3. PASSIONATELY PRAY _____

My prayer for _____ is that he/she/they may have still more love—a love that is full of knowledge and wise insight. I want _____ to be able always to recognize the highest and the best, and to live sincere and blameless lives until the day of Jesus Christ. I want to see _____ lives full of true goodness, produced by the power that Jesus Christ gives you to the praise and glory of God.

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