

# GOD'S STRENGTH

## COLOSSIANS 1:11a

*How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)*

**BACKGROUND:** For difficult circumstances or people, we need God's strength. Paul prays that we and the Colossians will use it.

**KNOW IT.** God's strength is your strength. His strength is His power available for you. (Colossians 1:11a, Acts 1:8, fn 1:8[1<sup>st</sup>], Colossians 1:28, 29, fn 1:28, 29[1<sup>st</sup>], II Corinthians 12:7-10, fn 12:9, Ephesians 3:14-20, fn 3:19) *What is the most difficult "thing" you are facing? How could God's strength help you through the difficulty?*

**UNDERSTAND IT.** God's strength in you is according to His might. (Colossians 1:11a, Ephesians 1:15-21, fn 1:19, 20, II Corinthians 1:6-11, fn 1:8-10[2<sup>nd</sup>], John 10:28, 29, fn 10:28, 29, Hebrews 13:5, 6, fn 13:5, 6, Jude 24, 25) *What could you teach your children or a friend about how to rely on God's strength when hardship comes into their lives?*

**USE IT.** By faith you appropriate God's strength in your life. (Colossians 1:11a, I Corinthians 10:13, fn 10:13, Philippians 4:10-14, fn 4:10-14, Hebrews 4:16, fn 4:16, Ephesians 6:10) *How will you put God's strength into practice in your life?*

*Check up—Are you praying with your spouse and your family? Group—Pray for personal requests and bond together by fellowshiping together.*