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INTRODUCTION

- A. From the time of Enoch until now, man's relationship with God is referred to as "walking."
 - 1. "Enoch walked with God and was not for God took him." (Gen. 22:24; again in Heb. 11:5- was translated..).
 - 2. What it means to walk with God.
- B. IF YOU TALK THE TALK, YOU MUST WALK THE WALK.!
 - 1. Statement a little bit new to some of us.
 - 2. But we understand the message.
 - 3. Doesn't do us any good to talk Christianity if we DON'T live it.

WALK IN NEW LIFE

- A. "We were buried therefore with him through baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life." (Romans 6:4).
 - 1. When one become a Christian he is a "new creature" and therefore begins a new walk or new life.
 - 2. No longer lives as did in past.
 - 3. New Relationship, New Allegiance New Life.
 - 4. Question: How do we know how to walk live? The Bible gives answer.
- B. HOW TO WALK: "FINALLY THEN, BRETHREN, WE BESEECH AND EXHORT YOU IN THE Lord Jesus, that, as ye received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, even as ye do walk, that ye abound more and more." (I Thess. 4:1).
 - 1. We receive from apostles, from God how to "walk and to please God."
 - 2. Heb. 1 and 2.
- C. WE WALK BY FAITH: "(for we walk by faith, not by sight):" (II Cor. 5:7)
 - 1. "So belief cometh of hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ" (Rom. 10:17).
 - 2. The Righteous shall live by Faith; (From. Hab. 2:4 to Rom. 1:17).
- D. WALKING IN THE TRUTH: "Greater joy have I none than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth." (3 John 4).
 - 1. "I rejoice greatly that I have found certain of the children walking in truth, even as we received commandment from the Father." (2 John 4).
 - 2. John 17:17 "Thy Word Is Truth"
 - 3. Psalm 119:105: God's Word is "a lamp to our feet and a light to our

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path"

- 4. The only way we can "walk the walk" is to let God direct us by His Word!
- 5. The Book of Ephesians gives us at least 6 lessons on "how to walk".

WALK IN GOOD WORKS

- A. "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God afore prepared that we should walk in them". (Eph. 2:10).
 - 1. Fruit bearing (John 15) the Vine and Branches.
 - 2. The design of the branch is to bear fruit...This Is Natural.
 - 3. Not to bear fruit is sin...This is Unnatural.

B. WHY?

- 1. "Even so let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." (Matt. 5;16).
- 2. Does the world see the Father in the life that we live?

WALK WORTHILY

- A. "I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beseech you to walk worthily of the calling wherewith ye were called," (Eph. 4:1).
 - 1. "to the end that ye should walk worthily of God, who calleth you into his own kingdom and glory." (I Thess. 2;12).
 - 2. Not because we were worthy.
 - 3. But we are to live a life that is worthy of Him who called us.
- B. IT IS GOD WHO CALLED US: (I Thess. 2:12, see above).
 - 1. With a holy calling (2 Tim. 1:9). Called us and set us a part.
 - 2. "But like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living;" (I Pet. 1;15).
- C. CHILDREN OF GOD: "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be <u>called children of God;</u> and such we are." (I John 3:1).
 - 1. We wear His Name.
 - 2. Live as His representative in this world.
 - 3. Walk Worthily....WALK AS A CHILD OF THE KING!

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DON'T WALK....

- A. "This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye no longer walk as the Gentiles also walk, in the vanity of their mind." (Eph. 4:17).
 - 1. Don't live walk like the worldly live.
 - 2. "The days are evil"...
 - 3. We must take a different path from the way of the world.
- B. DO WALK AS WISE... "Look therefore carefully how ye walk, not as unwise, but as wise:" (Eph. 5:15).
 - 1. Redeeming the time.
 - 2. It is a wise person who makes good use of the time and opportunity he has.
 - 3. Jesus' description of a wise man is: "Every one therefore that heareth these words of mine, and doeth them, shall be likened unto a wise man, who built his house upon the rock:" (Matt. 7:24).

IN LIGHT AND LOVE

- A. "Be ye therefore imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, even as Christ also loved you," (Eph. 5:1).
- B. "for ye were once darkness, but are now light in the Lord: walk as children of light," (Eph. 5:8).
 - 1. What does it mean to be an imitator of God.
 - 2. Walk in Love, because "God is Love" (I John 4:8).
- C. "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief: for ye are all sons of light, and sons of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness;" (I Thess. 5:4,5).

CONCLUSION

- A. A call to the "old paths". "Thus saith Jehovah, Stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way; and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls:" (Jer. 6:16). "We will not walk therein".
 - 1. The Path of God, Come walk in His Way. 2. Their answer: above:
- B. "Shall two walk together, except they have agreed?" (Amos 3:3).
 - 1. Who must agree with whom? Who is going to change?? God or man?
 - 2. The invitation is for man to "come unto God". (Matt. 11:28)
- C. Do We Agree With God??? How Are You Walking? G.R.

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