

A CHRISTIAN'S DAJLY WALK



Six Ways This Walk is Described

- 1. WALK differently than the rest of the world, and differently than WE once did.
- 2. WALK in "good works, which God prepared beforehand."
- 3. "WALK worthy of the calling with which you (we) were called."
- 4. "Walk in love..."
- 5. "Walk as children of light."
- 6. "Walk circumspectly," or carefully.

- 1. WALK "no longer...as the rest of the Gentiles walk" (4:17), or even the way we "once" walked (2:1-3; 4:22).
 - ❖ We now know better, because we've learned Christ (4:20-21).
 - ❖ Must put off the old man and put on the new man (4:22-24).

- 2. WALK in "good works, which God prepared beforehand" (2:10).
 - The very purpose for which we were "created in Christ Jesus."
 - Let's not mess with God's design.
 - By not walking in these good works.
 - By substituting our works for His.

- 3. "WALK worthy of the calling with which you were called" (4:1), which includes several demands:
 - ❖ To be holy and without blame (1:4).
 - ❖ To be united with all believers in one body (1:10; 2:14–16).
 - To show to others the riches of God's grace and wisdom (2:7; 3:10).
 - ❖ If we don't answer the call? (4:4; 1:18).

- 4. "WALK in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us" (5:2).
 - * Toward the Lord (6:24); toward all saints (1:15).
 - Must show it in our homes, too (5:25).
 - ❖ Requires putting off some things and putting on others (4:31–32; 5:3–4).
 - ❖ Applies to teaching the lost, too (6:19; 4:15).

- 5. "WALK as children of light" (5:8).
 - ❖ We're not in darkness any longer, so we don't participate in those things (5:7, 11).
 - ❖ We take the light we receive from Christ (5:14), and shine it on others (5:9-10).
 - ❖ It will "make manifest" (5:13), or obvious, their sins. Some might get mad, but others might be led to Christ.

- 6. "WALK circumspectly," or carefully, "not as fools, but as wise" (5:15).
 - Think about the word "circumference."
 - Need to be aware of all the dangers around us, but also the opportunities.
 - Wouldn't it be terrible to waste the precious little time we've been given?