

A Worthy Walk

Eph. 4:1

Introduction:

- A. The Christian is to have a certain walk about him.
 - 1. A walk worthy of his vocation.
 - 2. A walk different from his past. (2:2,3)
 - 3. A walk different from most of his neighbors (4:17)
- B. Ephesians gives several descriptions of the way we are to walk:

Discussion:

I. **Walk in Good Works. (2:10).**

- A. As opposed to the course of this world (v. 2; cf. Rom. 12:1,2)
 - 1. Trespasses and sins. (v. 1; cf. Rom. 6:1-4)
 - 2. The lusts of our flesh. (v. 3; cf. 1 John 3:15,16; Gal. 5:19ff).
- B. Because we have been created in Christ Jesus for this purpose. (2:10)

II. **Walk Worthy of Our Calling (4:1)**

- A. By endeavoring to keep unity of spirit. (4:2-3)
 - 1. By a proper attitude. (4:2)
 - 2. By a proper basis. (4:4-6)
 - 3. By proper edification. (4:8-16)
- B. By no longer walking as rest of Gentiles (4:17-19)
- C. By putting off the old man and putting on new man. (4:22-32)

III. **Walk in Love. (5:1-7)**

- A. Those who walk in love will give of themselves. (v. 2).
- B. Those who think sexual immorality is love are deceived. (5:3-7).

IV. **Walk as Children of Light. (5:8-14).**

- A. By producing fruit of the Spirit. (5:9; cf. Gal. 5:22,23)
- B. By proving (approving) what is acceptable to the Lord. (5:10).
- C. By having no fellowship with darkness. (5:11)
- D. By exposing works of darkness. (5:11-14).
 - 1. Things hidden by darkness of ignorance.
 - 2. Things hidden by darkness of deceit.

V. **Walk Wisely (5:15-21).**

- A. Wise to “redeem the time”—buy it up—use it wisely. (5:16)
- B. Wise to understand what the will of the Lord is. (5:17)
 - 1. It will take study.
 - 2. It will take practice.
- C. Wise not to be drunk. (5:18)—produces dissipation (waste)
- D. Wise to be filled with Spirit (5:18)
 - 1. Produces singing spiritual songs. (cf. Col. 3:16).
 - 2. Produces thanksgiving. (5:20)
 - 3. Produces submission to one another in fear of God. (5:21)

Conclusion:

- A. What about your walk?
- B. Why not start wisely today as a Christian?

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