

# The word “Walk” in Colossians

# The Holy Spirit

- Before we begin: John 16:7
- “However, I am telling you nothing but the truth when I say it is profitable (good, expedient, advantageous) for you that I go away. Because if I do not go away, the Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Advocate, Intercessor, Strengthenener, Standby) will not come to you [into close fellowship with you]; but if I go away, I will send Him to you [to be in close fellowship with you].”
- (Amplified Classic Edition)

- He will teach all things (John 14:26)
- Convict of sin, righteousness, & judgment (John 16:8)
- Guide into all truth (John 16:13)
- Will speak not of Himself, and will glorify Jesus (John 16:14)
- Will endue with power (Acts 1:8)

## 2 Timothy 3:16-17

“All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.” (NLT)

- Definition of “inspiration” is “divinely breathed in”

# The word Walk appears 4 times

- Walk worthy of the Lord
- Walk in Him
- (not as you) once Walked
- Walk in wisdom

# Bible dictionary definition

- to tread all around, i.e. walk at large (especially as proof of ability); figuratively, to live, deport oneself, follow (as a companion): go, be occupied with, walk (about).
- to walk to make one's way, progress; to make due use of opportunities. Hebrew for: to live to regulate one's life to conduct one's self to pass one's life.

# Colossians 1:9-12

- “For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy; giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.” (New King James Version)

# Colossians 2:6

- “As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.” (NKJV)



# Colossians 3:5-7

- “Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.” (NKJV)

# Colossians 4:5-6

- “Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one.”(NKJV)

# Walk worthy of the Lord

- 1:10-12 “That you may walk (live and conduct yourselves) in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him and desiring to please Him in all things, bearing fruit in every good work and steadily growing and increasing in and by the knowledge of God [with fuller, deeper, and clearer insight, acquaintance, and recognition].
- [We pray] that you may be invigorated and strengthened with all power according to the might of His glory, [to exercise] every kind of endurance and patience (perseverance and forbearance) with joy,
- Giving thanks to the Father, Who has qualified and made us fit to share the portion which is the inheritance of the saints (God’s holy people) in the Light.” (AMPC)

# Why

- 1:13-14 “[The Father] has delivered and drawn us to Himself out of the control and the dominion of darkness and has transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,
- In Whom we have our redemption through His blood, [which means] the forgiveness of our sins.” (AMPC)

# Worthy of Who

- 1:15-16 “Christ is the exact likeness of the unseen God. He existed before God made anything at all, and, in fact, Christ himself is the Creator who made everything in heaven and earth, the things we can see and the things we can't; the spirit world with its kings and kingdoms, its rulers and authorities; all were made by Christ for his own use and glory.” (The Living Bible)

# Wow

- 1:20-22 “It was through what his Son did that God cleared a path for everything to come to him--all things in heaven and on earth--for Christ's death on the cross has made peace with God for all by his blood. This includes you who were once so far away from God. You were his enemies and hated him and were separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions, yet now he has brought you back as his friends. He has done this through the death on the cross of his own human body, and now as a result Christ has brought you into the very presence of God, and you are standing there before him with nothing left against you--nothing left that he could even chide you for;” (The Living Bible)

# Walk in Him

- 2:6 “As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him.” (NKJV)
- 2:6 “live in vital union with him.” (TLB)
- 2:10 “And you are in Him, made full and having come to fullness of life”(AMPC)

# Forgiven

- 2:13 “You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins.” (New Living Translation)



# Sins Blotted Out

- 2:14 “Having cancelled and blotted out and wiped away ...” AMPC
- 2:14 “Christ has utterly wiped out the damning evidence of broken laws and commandments which has always hung over our heads and has completely unrolled it by nailing it over his own head on the cross.” (Phillips translation)
- Canceled, Shredded, Obliterated

# Enemies Defeated (2:15)

- the diction of the verse is that of avowed and open warfare:
- of fallen warrior stripped of his armor
- foes and weapons paraded through the streets
- the word **triumph** is used only two times in the New Testament

# Second Corinthians 2:14

- “Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.” (NKJV)

# Total Triumph

- 2:15 “[God] disarmed the principalities and powers that were ranged against us and made a bold display and public example of them, in triumphing over them in Him and in it [the cross].” AMPC
- 2:15 “He thus stripped the principalities and dominions of power and made a public display of them, triumphing over them by the cross.” (Williams translation)

# Once Walked

- 3:5-7 “Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience, and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them.” (New American Standard Bible)

# Now changed

- 3:12-15 “So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.” (NASB)

# Walk in wisdom

- 4:5-6 “Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.” (New International Version)

4:5-6 “Make the most of your chances to tell others the Good News. Be wise in all your contacts with them. Let your conversation be gracious as well as sensible, for then you will have the right answer for everyone.” (TLB)

# Wisdom outreach

- 4:5-6 “Walk in the wisdom of God as you live before the unbelievers, and make it your duty to make him known. Let every word you speak be drenched with grace and tempered with truth and clarity. For then you will be prepared to give a respectful answer to anyone who asks about your faith.” (Passion Translation)



# The Holy Spirit

- John 14:16-17 “And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Standby), that He may remain with you forever—
- The Spirit of Truth, Whom the world cannot receive (welcome, take to its heart), because it does not see Him or know and recognize Him. But you know and recognize Him, for He lives with you [constantly] and will be in you.” (AMPC)

# Song of Invitation: Come Holy Spirit

- Come Holy Spirit, Come Holy Spirit,
- Come to this place, we will embrace your presence.

Come soften our hearts, come soften our hearts,  
That we may obey, teach us your way,  
Come lead us.

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