

“How to Walk Worthy of the Lord” 11/02/08

Colossians 1:9-14

Studies in Colossians- “The Supremacy and Sufficiency of Jesus the Messiah”

POINT 1- A walk worthy of the Lord is rooted in the proper BELIEFS

- A. Paul’s prayer is for them to be filled God’s UNDERSTANDING
(His Will- Eph 4:13-14; Wisdom- Prov 1:7; What fills your mind?)
“Do not love the world nor the things of the world” 1 John 2:15-17

We are more familiar with Survivor, Sports, Stock prices, etc. than God’s Word
Going Deeper God wants you to make the necessary changes to **KNOW His Will!**

POINT 2- A walk worthy of the Lord is characterized by the proper ACTIONS

- A. Actions in a worthy walk are demonstrated by being fully COMMITTED
(Luke 9:62; Matt 22:37; Deut 6:5; 11:1, 13; 30:20; Phil 1:21)
- B. Actions in a worthy walk are demonstrated by being FRUITFUL
(Heb 13:15; Gal 5:22-23; Rom 15:26-27; Jam 3:17; John 15:5, 8, 16)
- C. Actions in a worthy walk are shown by our knowledge INCREASING
(1 Pet 2:2; 2 Pet 3:18; 1 John 2:3-5, 2 Tim 3:16-17; **Heb 5:12-6:2**)

CHALLENGE- read one biblical or theological book per month!

- D. Actions in a worthy walk are demonstrated by trusting in His STRENGTH
(Philippians 4:13; Acts 1:8; Matthew 19:26; Numbers 11:23)
- E. Actions in a worthy walk are demonstrated in patience and longsuffering with JOY
(Jam 1:12; Rom 8:28-39; Phil 2:14; Patience- circum; Longs- people)

Going Deeper God wants you to be humbly working on these things everyday!

POINT 3- A walk worthy of the Lord flows from an attitude of THANKS

- A. A thankful heart stems from the works of the Father in SALVATION
(Qualified us; Delivered us; Conveyed us; Redeemed us)

Going Deeper God wants you to walk with a thankful heart continually!

“The word patience means the willingness to stay where we are and live the situation out to the full in the belief that something hidden there will manifest itself to us. Impatient people are always expecting the real thing to happen somewhere else and therefore want to go to elsewhere. The moment is empty. But patient people dare to stay where they are.”

Henri J M. Nouwen