**Walking in Ephesians**

1. ~~Walk as the Gentiles walk – 4:17-24~~
* NO LONGER WALK AS THEY DO!
* Futility of their mind – uselessness; there life is vain; they seek after vain things.
* They are separated from God and don’t know Him.
	+ Because they have hardened their heart. (calloused heart)
* This doesn’t make them blush anymore (past feeling).
* They do this out of greed (they live life for themselves.
* You didn’t learn this from Christ!
	+ Christ said to put this life away.
* Renewed in spirit of mind – instead of living that calloused, meaningless, useless life, live for God.
1. Walk worthy of the calling – 4:1
* Worthy = appropriately (appropriate attitude with regard to event…holiness, righteousness – walk in that way because that is your calling)
* Calling? 1:3-4; 4:24; Grace of God – Titus 2:14 🡪
1. Walk in good works – 2:10
* Workmanship = product (creation)
	+ For good works!
* Fruit of the spirit – Galatians 5:22-26
* *Matthew 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works”* – These are works that should be visible.
1. Walk in love – 5:2

*Col. 3:14 “But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.”*

* 1. We are God's people, so we should be like Him.
* *Matt. 5:48 “Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.”*
1. To imitate God is to *Walk in Love*.
* *1 John 4:8 “He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.”*
1. These things are not present if we are walking in love (v. 3).
* *“I may do these things because I’m not perfect. But I love God.”*
	+ If doing these things you are showing lack of love. Love is an act.
	+ To love as Christ we give ourselves as a sacrifice as He did.
* Those who practice such things will not receive the inheritance.
* Rather, those that *Walk in Love*.
1. Walk in light – 5:8

*1 John 1:5 “God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.”*

*Matt. 5:14 “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.”*

*Matt. 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.”*

* If we are walking in light, goodness, righteousness, and truth will be manifest in our life.
* Instead of being a part of darkness expose it! It is not enough to just ignore it! (light does not ignore darkness, it exposes it)
	+ Reprove – admonish, convict.
* The ones reproving this darkness is light.
	+ It's easy for us to let things alone, but we are called to EXPOSE DARKNESS!
* The only way one dead in sin can come to Christ is if the light exposes his darkness. Then they themselves can receive light in Christ.
1. Walk in wisdom – 5:15

*Prov. 4:7 “Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.”*

* We are to walk carefully, diligently, seeking the Lord's will.
	+ That we walk in Light!
* We have to make good use of our time on earth.
	+ We have to use our time to expose the darkness.
	+ No matter how strong in the faith you are, there is always evil in the world.
	+ We have a responsibility to use our time to bring others to Christ.
* When we sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs to each other, we are teaching each other.
	+ These songs should be in accord with the Word and therefore edifying.