WALKING WITH GOD (PART I) 1 John 2:3-6

INTRODUCTION:

- A. The word "Walk" is continuous action. Walking with God means to go in God's direction, as God's way is always the best and only way for Christians to walk. Jesus Christ is our pattern, and the Holy Spirit is our guide in our walk with God.
 - "Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying" (Rom 13:13).

For this message, we will study three ways as to how Believers are to walk with God:

- I. Walk Honestly (Rom 13:13)
 - A. The Believer is to walk in Honesty before God.
 - B. The Believer is to live his life as an Open Book.
 - C. Paul enumerated six sins that the Believer is to cast off and turn from Forever.
 - o (Philippians 2:3-4; 1 Cor 13:4; 1 Cor 10:31).

II. Walk In The Spirit (Gal 5:16)

- A. Walking in the Spirit is a God-Consciousness.
- B. The Holy Spirit is the answer to defeating the lust of the flesh.
- C. The Flesh is contrary to the Spirit (Gal 5:19-21)
- D. "The Fruit of the Spirit" which is the work of the Holy Spirit in Believers.
 - o (Gal 5:16-25; 1 Cor 10:13)

III. Walk in Love (Eph 5:1-2)

- A. The walk in Eph 5:2 refers to the Believer's conduct and manner of life.
- B. Love in Eph 5:2 refers to Agape Love Agape Love is a sacrificial, unconditional, non-reciprocating love that proves itself through action
 - o (John 3:16; 1 John 4:10; 1 John 3:16; 4:9).
- C. Since God loves us sacrificially and unconditionally, we ought to love one another in the same way (1 John 4:11).
- D. When we walk in love, we show the world that we are true followers of Christ.
 - o (John 13:35; 1 John 3:14; 1 Pet 1:22).
- E. Walking in Love is to love God wholeheartedly and our neighbors as ourselves (Matt 22:37-39).

IV. <u>CONCL</u>USION:

- A. Believers are to Walk Honestly, Walk in the Spirit and Walk in Love.
- B. "That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory" (1 Thess 2:12).
- C. Trust and Obey
- D. ABC's of Salvation

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