

May 2014 Theme: Walk in Him

Text: Colossians 2:6

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(I) A NEW THEME FOR THE MONTH OF MAY AND JUNE

1. Theme : Walk in Him
2. Concerns our walk with the Lord
3. Not just a matter of walking with the Lord but walking in Him

(II) DIFFERENT GROUPS THAT “WALKED” WITH JESUS

1. The religious leaders... Never really walked

*“Then the Pharisees and Sadducees came, and testing Him asked that He would show them a sign from heaven.” **Matthew 16:1***

- a) They would come and follow Jesus
- b) But they came with the intention to test Him and to accuse Him
- c) They never had a walk with Him

2. The multitudes...A questionable walk

*“From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more.” **John 6:66***

- a) They were called disciples...who followed the Lord
- b) But their walk was questionable as they ended up leaving the Lord.

3. The disciples...A shaky walk

- a) They did not fare much better
- b) Their walk was shaky and not steadfast as they were not able to catch the spirit of Christ
 - i) They lacked faith during the storm (**Luke 8**)
 - ii) They had no compassion for the multitude when they were hungry (**Luke 9**)

(III) PAUL'S THEOLOGICAL UNDERSTANDING OF WALKING IN CHRIST

"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him," Colossians 2:6

1. This walk begins when we receive Christ into our life

2. We are to begin to walk in Him... the internal sphere of Christ

- a) In His spirit
- b) In His mind
- c) In His heart

3. It has to do with His essence

- a) His love
- b) His wisdom
- c) His light
- d) His power
- e) His relationship with the Father

(IV) CULTIVATE A DEEPER WALK IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST

1. A deeper understanding of Christ...of His spirit

2. Not just understanding what He did but the spirit in which He did it

3. To walk in His spirit...His essence

- a) By actual walking
- b) By doing things in the spirit of Christ

4. To have a deeper walk in the Lord

(V) CHECKING OUR WALK IN CHRIST

1. To understand what it means to walk in Christ deeply

- 2. To appreciate the different aspects of our walk in Christ in the next two months**
- 3. Need to check whether we are walking in the sphere of the essence of Christ**