WALK AS HE WALKED

I John 2:6

INTRODUCTION:
1. The life of Christ is the Christian's PATTERN -- I Pet. 2:21
2. John said the Christian ought to walk as Christ walked.
3. The term "walk" would include the entire manner of life of the Christian.

I. CHRIST WALKED IN COMPLETE OBEDIENCE TO HIS FATHER'S WILL
   1. "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me" -- John 4:34
   2. Jesus kept His Father's commandments -- John 15:10
   3. Jesus prayed "Thy will be done" -- Matt. 26:42
   4. Jesus accomplished the work God gave Him to do -- John 17:4
   5. As Christians, our purpose should be to carry out the will of Christ -- Matt. 6:33
   6. We are to keep the commands of Christ -- John 14:15; Matt. 28:20
   7. Are you walking in complete obedience to Christ's commands?

II. TO WALK AS CHRIST WALKED, THE CHRISTIAN WALKS IN NEWNESS OF LIFE
   1. Rom. 6:4
   2. "Old things are passed away" -- II Cor. 5:17
      (1) "Ye have put off the old man with his deeds" -- Col. 3:9
   3. The Christian no longer does the things that are unfruitful and wicked before God -- Eph. 5:11
   4. The Christian has put OFF --
      (1) Anger -- Col. 3:8 - 9
      (2) Wrath
      (3) Malice
      (4) Blasphemy
      (5) Filthy communication
      (6) Lying
      (7) Bitterness -- Eph. 4:31
      (8) Evil Speaking -- I Pet. 2:1; Eph. 4:31
      (9) The work of the flesh in Gal. 5:19 - 21

III. THE CHRISTIAN IS TO WALK WORTHY OF HIS CALLING
   1. Eph. 4:1
   2. He has been called by the gospel -- II Thess. 2:14; Matt. 22:14
   3. His behavior was to be a credit to the gospel -- Phil. 1:27; 2:15
4. Paul told Christians how to do this -- Eph. 4:2-3
5. We should strive daily to make our lives more in harmony with the gospel.

IV. THE CHRISTIAN MUST NOT WALK AFTER THE FLESH

1. Rom. 8:1
2. To walk after the flesh is to walk in the vanity of the mind -- Eph. 4:17
   (1) This would be to walk after the leading of one’s fleshly mind.
3. The Carnal mind brings death -- Rom. 8:6
4. To walk as He walked is to be spiritually minded -- Eph. 4:20; Rom. 8:6
5. Gal. 6:7-8; Gal. 5:19-21

V. THE CHRISTIAN IS TO WALK IN LOVE

1. Eph. 5:2
2. The essentiality of love -- 1 Cor. 13:1-3
3. Loves behavior -- 1 Cor. 13:4-8
4. True love -- 1 John 3:18
5. Disciples of the Lord are to love one another -- John 13:34-35

VI. THE CHRISTIAN IS TO WALK AS IN GOOD WORKS

1. Eph. 2:10
2. Jesus went about doing good -- Acts 10:38
3. Christians give constant attention to doing good -- Col. 1:10; Tit. 3:1; Tit. 2:14

VII. THE CHRISTIAN MUST WALK CIRCUMSPECTLY

1. Eph. 5:15
2. Walk carefully
3. We are just going this way one time -- John 16:22
4. Satan goes about as a roaring lion after us -- 1 Pet. 5:8

V. CHRISTIANS ARE TO WALK AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT -- Eph. 5:8

1. Walk by the light of the gospel -- 2 Cor. 4:4; 1 John 1:7
2. Christians shine as lights in the world -- Phil. 2:15; Matt. 5:14

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