

The Consequent Christian Life

Ephesians 4:1

The Consequent Christian Life

Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called

Ephesians 4:1

The Consequent Christian Life

Many preachers... indulge habitually in what they call expository sermons. They take a passage from Scripture and, proceeding on the assumption that the people attending church that morning are deeply concerned about what the passage means, they spend their half hour or more on historical exposition of the verse or chapter, ending with some appended practical application to the auditors. Could any procedure be more surely predestined to dullness and futility?

The Consequent Christian Life

Who seriously supposes that, as a matter of fact, one in a hundred of the congregation cares, to start with, what Moses, Isaiah, Paul, or John meant in those special verses, or came to church deeply concerned about it? Nobody else who talks to the public so assumes that the vital interests of the people are located in the meaning of words spoken two thousand years ago.

Harry Emerson Fosdick

The Consequent Christian Life

I. A life that responds to exhortation (v. 1a)

A life that responds to exhortation

Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to...

Ephesians 4:1

The Consequent Christian Life

I. A life that responds to exhortation (v. 1a)

II. A life that corresponds to doctrine (v. 1b)

A life that responds to doctrine

...walk in a manner worthy of the calling
with which you have been called

Ephesians 4:1

A life that responds to doctrine

So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also **walk**, in the futility of their mind,

Ephesians 4:17

A life that responds to doctrine

and **walk in love**, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

Ephesians 5:2

A life that responds to doctrine

Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.

Genesis 5:24

A life that responds to doctrine

You shall walk in all the way which the Lord your God has commanded you, that you may live and that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you will possess.

Deuteronomy 5:33

A life that responds to doctrine

Now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require from you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul,

Deuteronomy 10:12

A life that responds to doctrine

He who walks with integrity, and works
righteousness, And speaks truth in his heart.

Psalms 15:2

A life that responds to doctrine

He who walks blamelessly will be delivered,
But he who is crooked will fall all at once.

Proverbs 28:18

A life that responds to doctrine

for we walk by faith, not by sight—

2 Corinthians 5:7

A life that responds to doctrine

in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.

Ephesians 2:2

A life that responds to doctrine

Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,

Ephesians 4:1

A life that responds to doctrine

so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Colossians 1:10

A life that responds to doctrine

Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus
the Lord, so walk in Him,

Colossians 2:6

A life that responds to doctrine

Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; 11 for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

2 Peter 1:10

A life that responds to doctrine

Those who love Your law have great peace,
And nothing causes them to stumble.

Psalms 119:165

A life that responds to doctrine

Then you will walk in your way securely And
your foot will not stumble.

Proverbs 3:23

A life that responds to doctrine

For Jerusalem has stumbled and Judah has fallen, Because their speech and their actions are against the Lord, To rebel against His glorious presence.

Isaiah 3:8

A life that responds to doctrine

Return, O Israel, to the Lord your God, For you have stumbled because of your iniquity.

Hosea 14:1

A life that responds to doctrine

If your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. 30 “If your right hand makes you stumble, cut it off and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to go into hell.

Matthew 5:29-30

A life that responds to doctrine

But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles,
because the light is not in him.

John 11:10

A life that responds to doctrine

These things I have spoken to you so that you may be kept from stumbling.

John 16:1

A life that responds to doctrine

Therefore, if food causes my brother to stumble, I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause my brother to stumble.

1 Corinthians 8:13

A life that responds to doctrine

For we all stumble in many ways. If anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body as well.

James 3:2

A life that responds to doctrine

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy,

Jude 24

A life that responds to doctrine

Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall.

1 Corinthians 10:12

A life that responds to doctrine

But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons,

1 Timothy 4:1

A life that responds to doctrine

You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness,

2 Peter 3:17

A life that responds to doctrine

who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity,

2 Timothy 1:9

A life that responds to doctrine

To this end also we pray for you always, that our God will count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power,

2 Thessalonians 1:11

A life that responds to doctrine

just as you know how we were exhorting and encouraging and imploring each one of you as a father would his own children, 12 so that you would walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.

1 Thessalonians 2:11–12

The Consequent Christian Life

I. A life that responds to exhortation (v. 1a)

II. A life that corresponds to doctrine (v. 1b)

The Consequent Christian Life

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain.

Exodus 20:7

The Consequent Christian Life

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children;

Ephesians 5:1

The Consequent Christian Life

Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;

Philippians 1:27