

THE TAKE AWAY

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Sunday, October 10, 2021

Message Summary

In this week's message, Pastor John Carter taught us about how to restore our walk. The Bible tells us that there are some things that we need to make sure we are walking in, and that our daily actions and decisions should reflect these truths that we should be walking in. We have to be careful to protect our walk, or we will allow the things of this world to cling to us and influence our walk. And sometimes that can result in us walking into things we did not intend to. Don't walk on a path that takes you away from God. The Bible tells us that there are some things (Spirit, faith, prayer, wisdom, fear of the Lord, order, work, etc.) that we need to walk in order to experience the blessings of God. To arrive in the destination we want, that walk will include some things and exclude others...on purpose. There is a way we ought to walk, because it pleases God. We have to determine how to walk in a way that pleases God and leads us in the direction of our purpose.

Key Scriptures:

- [1Thessalonians 4:1 NKJV] 1 Finally then, brethren, we urge and exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to **walk** and to please God.
- [Ephesians 4:1-3 NKJV] 1 I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to **walk worthy** of the calling with which you were called, 2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, 3 endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- [Ephesians 2:8-10 NKJV] 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; [it is] the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should **walk in them**.

Discussion Questions:

1. What does "your walk" mean to you?
2. What are some of the things that we should walk in that please the Lord?
3. In what area of your life do you need to work on your walk?
4. How can you begin to grow in that area of your walk?

Life Application:

This week as you study the key scriptures, consider what Pastor John said, "We are His poem. Each one of us is uniquely designed by God. And we were created for good works that God prepared in advance. We have a purpose, and what we do is important." Consider who God created you to be...uniquely. What do you feel you were created for? What are the good works that God has designed for you to do? What is your purpose? The better you can answer these questions for yourself, the more accurately you will walk in the direction God has planned for your life. Dwell with the Lord this week, and ask Him to tell you the answers to those questions!