



Intro: Welcome to Rochester Assembly! Last week we kicked off a new series entitled Walk it Out. Whether you are just starting out in your new life in Christ or whether you have been following Jesus your entire life we want you to walk this out well.

Last week we looked in Luke 24 at how at some point in our life Jesus will fail to live up to our EXPECTATIONS of HIS performance.

Whether you are brand new to this faith journey or whether you've been walking it out for years you need to know this simple Fact: [God's not always going to live up to YOUR expectations!](#)
[How will you respond in those moments?](#)

[Will you give up? Will you walk AWAY...or will you walk it OUT and GROW?](#)

Together we saw how Jesus meets us in our disappointment and through His Word reveals himself, reveals His plan and leads us through HIS WORD.

Today I want to continue on in the narrative as we continue to take this right to left journey through the Scripture. In the wake of Jesus' resurrection we see not only the importance of His Word, but the importance of **community** in our faith journey.

In [Luke 24](#) we read that Jesus showed up in the midst of these two disciples. The two ran back to Jerusalem and find ["the eleven and those who were with them gathered together."](#) (Vs.33)
Again, Jesus appears in their midst.

["Now it came to pass while he blessed them, that he was parted from them and carried into heaven. And they worshiped Him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy and were continually in the temple praising and blessing God."](#) (Vs. 51-53)

[Acts 1:14-15](#) tells us that when they returned to Jerusalem ["These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus and His brothers...altogether the number of names was about one hundred twenty."](#)

[None of us was created to walk this out alone.](#)

[We were created and are called to function in a spiritually healthy, unified community.](#)

Here's another fact: It's hard to walk it out together...but its impossible to walk it out alone!

Illustration: Jorts Friday...the power of community!

Acts 4:32-33 “Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common. **33** And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all.”

How can we walk this out together?

Vs. 32 Unity...”one heart, one soul”

Say this with me...”It’s not about me!” Look past personalities and realize God put people in your life on purpose. Iron sharpens iron. We all need pruning, accountability and support.

Here on staff we not only share our resources...We share each other’s burdens.

Vs. 33 Great Power

When unity is established Great Power can be released.

Am I walking in power or Great Power? **There is multiplied strength in a unified community!**

“One can put a thousand to flight. Two can put ten thousand to flight!

Vs. 33 Great Grace

We all talk about the unity and people love to talk about Great Power. I want to be known for Great Grace

Unity and Great Power must always be accompanied but Great Grace

Conclusion:

This is our goal. Unity, Great Power & Great Grace...let’s walk it out together.