

Week 12 Disciplines of a Disciple: Walking

Walking: The discipline of increasingly growing in obedience to God.

Walking is the daily process of _____ to the Spirit of God; by _____ our thoughts, attitudes and actions to the will & design of God.

Walking is the daily process of _____ our flesh & sin nature and _____ to please God and not ourselves.

Walking includes daily _____ & _____ of sin when we fail to submit to God.

By 'walking' we mean the process of _____ & *maturity* in the life of a believer.

The discipline of walking always seems to have **3 main components:**

#1 Walking includes _____ (*positive*) to walk in line with the Spirit of God. This is where we attempt to submit all of our actions to the will, design & instruction of God.

#2 Walking includes _____ (*negative*) walking in accordance to our flesh. This is where we avoid all manners of evil and avoid living unto self.

#3 Walking includes _____ our failure to live the way we ought to. This is where we admit to God our failures & inability as well as the disparity between our desires & actions.

Read: 2 Cor 10:5, Rom 12:1-2, Rom 8:5-8, Rom 8:12-14, Gal 5:16-25, 1 John 1:6-9, 1 John 2:1-6

Developing & Instilling the Disciple of Walking with God

Prioritize.

Make your relationship with God a _____.

Make keeping in step with the Spirit, in all you do, your highest aim.

Regularly invite God into the fabric of your day.

_____ *before each choice, action & reaction. Ask the Lord for strength, wisdom & guidance.*

Slowdown.

Take the time to _____ the significance of your attitudes, thoughts & actions. Slow down your words & choices and take time to consult with the Lord.

-Take time before each major decision to pray. Add more time than allotted to your routine.

-Treat every attitude & action as _____.

Listen.

Be _____ and listen to the Lord. As you ask him for help, strength, wisdom & guidance in your choices...make sure to heed the Spirit's voice.

-Pay attention to that still small voice. Don't minimize that 'gut instinct'.

-Tune out distractions & noise. Listen with the Bible open.

Think.

Get in the habit of taking a moment to _____ the possible consequences and implications of your decisions.

_____ *many spur of the moment actions.*

_____ *many potential outcomes & effects. Count to 10. Wait a day.*

Ask yourself a series of test questions. What would God want? What does the Bible say?

What is right? What is best?

Remember.

_____ on the past. Ask yourself what happened the last time you were in this situation. _____ what your decision was and what the outcome was then.

Remind.

_____ what you know about the future & eternity. Allow the truth about eternity to convict you enough to change course on a certain choice.

Ruminate.

_____ the Word of God to yourself almost constantly. Have the scriptures ever before you, as a lamp unto your feet. Allow the Spirit to use those truths to convict & guide.

Confess.

Make confessing even the smallest sin a _____ habit. Get in the _____ of always taking a moment to admit to the Lord when you've fallen short and express to him your acknowledgement of that.

Model.

Find ways to illustrate to someone else what it means to walk with God. _____ to them the inner workings of your attitudes & actions.

Pepper your _____ with admitting weakness & the need for forgiveness.

Share the details of why you act the way you act.

_____ *the invisible parts of the decision making & confession process.*