Those Who Walk Undefiled In the Way

Intro: Psalm 119 is the longest chapter in the Bible. In almost every verse there is a comment about God’s Word; thus, the chapter glorifies the commandments of God. I would like for us to notice the first verse in this lesson; Psalm 119:1 “Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord.”

I. WALK.

A. Walk is a word of action, movement, the expending of energy, denoting a way of living.

B. There are two and only two avenues in which we may walk.
   1. Mat. 12:30 “He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.”
   2. Mark 9:40 “For he that is not against us is on our part.”
   3. We either serve God or we serve Satan.

C. Walk in the ways of Satan.
   1. 1 Cor. 6:9-11 “Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 11And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.”
   2. Eph. 2:2-3 “Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: 3Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.”
   3. Col. 3:7 “In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.”
   4. 1 Pet. 4:3 “For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries.”

D. Walk in the ways of God.
   1. We are to walk in a new life.
      a. Rom. 6:4 “Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”
      b. No longer walking in the ways of Satan.
   2. We are to walk according to what God says.
      a. By faith; 2 Cor. 5:7 “(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)”
      b. In the Spirit; Gal. 5:16, 25 “This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh…. 25If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.”
      c. In the light; 1 John 1:7 “But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.”
      d. In the truth; 3 John 3-4 “For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth. 4I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.”
   3. Some attributes of that walk.
      a. Gal. 5:16, 25, 22-23 “This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh…. 23If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit…. 22But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.”
      b. Eph. 2:10 “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.”
      c. Eph. 4:1 “I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,”
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d. Eph. 5:2, 15 “And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savour. ... See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,”
e. 1 Thes. 4:12 “That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.”
f. 1 John 2:6 “He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.”

4. Christianity applied in life is that of action.
a. 1 Cor. 15:58 “Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.”
b. It must be continual action.

II. WITHIN THE LAW OF THE LORD.

A. Some are teaching that we are not under law.

1. We are not under the Law of Moses.
a. 2 Cor. 3
b. Gal. 3:24-25 “Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.”
c. Eph. 2:14-15 “For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;”
d. Col. 2:14 “Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;”

2. We are under the law of Christ.
a. 1 Cor. 9:21 “To them that are without law, as without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.”
b. Rom. 3:27 “Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.”
c. Rom. 8:2 “For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.”
d. Gal. 6:2 “Bear ye one another’s burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.”
e. James 2:8, 12 “If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:... So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.”

B. We must live in accordance with that law.

1. We come into a proper relationship with God by obedience to God’s Law; we continue to live in that way.
2. 2 Cor. 5:7 “(For we walk by faith, not by sight)”
3. Gal. 5:16, 25 “This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh... If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.”
4. 3 John 3-4 “For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth. ‘I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.”

III. UNDEFILED.

A. We (our robes) must be washed with pure water.

1. Eph. 5:26 “That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,”
2. Heb. 10:22 “Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.”
3. Rev. 7:14 “And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”

4. It is the blood of Christ that washes away the sin; 1 John 1:7 “But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.”

5. The blood of Christ is applied in the washing of baptism; Acts 22:16 “And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.”

B. We must live in purity.

1. 2 Cor. 11:2 “For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.”

2. Eph. 1:4 “According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love;”

3. Eph. 5:27 “That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.”

4. Col. 1:22 “In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight;”

5. 1 John 3:3 “And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.”

IV. We Will Be Blessed.

A. The meaning of blessed.

1. It is having inner tranquility, or peace of mind that passeth understanding.

2. As a result we are happy or joyous.

3. It is living a successful life.

B. Rev. 3:4-5 “Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. ‘He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.”

Conclusion: Have you purified your soul and been walking undefiled in the way?