

# Watch How You Walk

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## I. Introduction.

A. Text: Ephesians 5:15-20.

B. By walking, the believer must put off the old man and put on the new man.

## II. The supreme thing is to look carefully how one walks.

### A. Walk understandingly.

1. The character of life is to be understood first.
2. Evil days create opportunities.
3. We are to be what we ought to be regardless of everyone else.
4. Many are experiencing an inward emptiness because these are evil days.
5. The evil days make people want to know about God.
6. Understand the will of the Lord in every situation.
  - a. This is more than guidance.
  - b. The main thing is not what a person does, but what a person is.
  - c. One is to try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord, which is faith.
  - d. What really matters is being a gracious love filled person.
  - e. The believer has a tremendous advantage because he knows the truth.

### B. Walk over-flowingly.

1. This speaks to the Christian's resources.
2. The great secret of real Christianity is being filled with the Spirit.
  - a. The filling of the Spirit is the momentary taking of resources from God for every need.
  - b. The well is to be in the believer, and he is to be able to take of it any time.
  - c. We must not meet the demands of life on our own resources.
3. Marks of those filled by the Spirit.

- a. Speaking.
- b. Singing.
- c. Giving thanks in all things.

**Application questions:**

1. What things are important for the Christian to understand in his walk?

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2. How has God helped you to walk understandingly in the past? What did you learn?

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3. Why is the filling of the Spirit important for everyday life? Explain.

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