

COME WALK WITH ME

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Our Father who at in Heaven sent me to you to ask you "Come walk with me". God's love for man is ever strong and unchanging. He desires to partner with us so we can succeed and fulfill our destiny in Christ. He said,

John 15:5

5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

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A walk with God is a walk in faith based on love. It is a covenant walk that is guaranteed to bring blessings and progress to the believer. By design, man cannot fulfill his divine assignment or live life peacefully and successfully without walking with God in total dependence and partnership. Everything created draws its life from the source of the material of creation. The plants only grow on soil (earth) because it comes from the soil. Animals depend on and eat food from the soil (earth) because it is made from the soil. Fishes cannot survive outside of water because it was made from the water. Man cannot be fulfilled or survive outside of its source. The spirit with the soul comes from inside of God (the Breathe of God), the body of man comes from the soil. The body of man cannot survive except it eats food grown from the soil that it came from. The spirit of man which is the real man cannot do well or succeed outside of God his creator. Man needs to feed from the word of God to stay strong and stable. Man needs fellowship with the Holy Spirit to stay strong and win the battles of life. Man needs to walk with God to succeed and achieve greatness. Fulfillment in life is a partnership between God and man.

To walk with the Lord you need to answer the call by surrendering your life to Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour. It includes exchanging your burden for His burden which is witnessing for Him and working for the growth of His Church and expansion of His kingdom here on earth. Walking with God includes submitting yourself to studying His life, ways and teachings and applying them to your life in every area.

Matt 11:28-30

28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

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What does it mean to walk with God? What does walking with God involve? How does walking with God benefit me? Does it put food on my table, clothe me, protect me and bring me favour and good things? Is there any benefit in walking with God? What if I do my own thing and never

walk with God's instructions? These and many more questions will be addressed in this teaching.

God is the author of life and the creator of all humans. He made the first man and made the woman out of his ribs and gave her to him to be his wife. He blessed and empowered them to be fruitful and fill the earth. Billions have walked through this earth from Adam and Eve. The Bible also reveals that God created man for a purpose – for God's pleasure.

Rev 4:11

11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

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The Bible also teaches us that there is a destiny for every man on earth. God has plans and purposes for all He has made. To fulfill purpose, one has to walk in partnership with God to get to his God given destiny.

Jer 29:11-13

11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. 12 Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. 13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

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Isa 14:26-27

26 This is the plan determined for the whole world; this is the hand stretched out over all nations. 27 For the LORD Almighty has purposed, and who can thwart him? His hand is stretched out, and who can turn it back?

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Amos 3:7

7 Surely the Sovereign LORD does nothing without revealing his plan to his servants the prophets.

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God created man for His own pleasure and has made plans for each person on the earth leading to the total fulfillment of all His purpose for each person and His general purpose for the whole earth. For a man to succeed, he has to get close to God and identify His plan and purpose for his life and make sure that he plugs into the plan and purpose of God for his life and fulfill it.

WHAT IT MEANS TO WALK WITH GOD

- Walking with God is partnering with God to become what God had originally planned for your life.

- Walking with God is acknowledgement that one cannot live life successfully without the help of God.
- Walking with God is connecting to the source of power, wisdom and inspiration to live life to the fullest.
- Walking with God is to believe and live by the words of God.
- Walking with God is cherishing and giving attention to learning the ways of God and walking in it diligently.
- Walking with God is living in and walking by faith in God and His word.
- Walking with God is to love and revere God with the whole of your heart, soul and strength.
- Walking with God is to trust God and not lean on your own understanding and abilities.

Prov 3:5-6

5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

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- Walking with God is not being wise in your own eyes, shunning evil and fearing God.

Prov 3:7-8

7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. 8 This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.

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When you walk with the Lord you become one with Him.

1 Cor 6:17

7 But he who unites himself with the Lord is one with him in spirit.

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CONCLUSION

Walking with God is for your benefit. It is partnering with God to achieve purpose in life. It is plugging into the power and grace of God to energize you and help you in the journey of life. With God's help, there is nothing you need, you will not receive. With God's help, there is no battle you fight you will not win. With God's help, there is no challenge you will not overcome. With God's help, there is no set goal you cannot achieve. With God's help, the enemies that come against you will surrender to you. With God's help, there is no stopping you. With God's help, you will live in peace and prosper in your health. Walk with God all your life. Strive to please Him in all your ways and He will make your enemies to be at peace with you. Walk with God and you will be better for it.