

**“The Christian Walk”**  
A Study of the Book of Romans  
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**Key Truth:** The Christian life is a walk of faith in the discipline of Jesus Christ.

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The Christian Life is no “walk in the park,” but it *is* a walk. The Christian life is a lifestyle that grows more and more Christlike the longer we travel the road of life. It’s a discipline – a series of godly habits that God uses to shape us into the image of Christ. In Christ, we walk by faith, in newness of life, and according to the Spirit. To walk according to the Spirit is to govern our lives according to what the Holy Spirit has revealed in his God-breathed Word. So, as we walk in the Christian Life, we’re naturally challenged by the precepts and imperatives laid down in Scripture. When we meet those challenges, we seek by faith and the Spirit’s power, to carry them out in the Christian life. In light of that, Paul wants us to both walk in love and walk in the light of truth.

## ***DISCUSS***

Read **Romans 13:8-14** and discuss with the group a statement or concept that stood out to you or impacted you in the sermon entitled “**The Christian Walk.**”

## ***DIG IN***

### **1. The True Christian walks in Love.** (Romans 13:8-10)

In what ways is Love a discipline, something we do (see John 13:34-35)?

In what ways should we owe no one anything (v. 8)? Does that mean we should not pay what is owed to other people (see v. 7)? Why or why not?

In what ways might Love be a gift rather than a debt to be paid?

In what spirit, then, should love be given?

What priority (if any) should be placed on loving fellow believers above the world? Why?

In what ways does love fulfill the Law (v. 10)?

### **2. The True Christian walks in Light.** (Romans 13:11-14)

In what ways are walking in love and walking in light inseparable? Why?

In what ways does walking in the light of truth yield the fruit of self-control, purity, and peace (v. 13)?

Describe what it takes to “put on the Lord Jesus Christ (v. 14)? In what ways would a Christian “make no provision for the flesh?”

## ***DO***

What lessons do you learn from these verses that you will take with you throughout the coming week?