

# A WORTHY WALK ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE

## BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION OF A WORTHY WALK

The Bible defines a **worthy walk** as consisting of the following

### A worthy walk is a walk in...

- the Holy Spirit (Ro 8:4+, cp Gal 5:16+, Gal 5:25+)
- humility (Ep 4:2+)
- purity (Ro 13:13+; Ep 5:3+)
- contentment (1Co 7:17)
- faith (2Co 5:7+)
- righteousness (Ep 2:10+)
- unity (Ep 4:3+; Php 1:2+)
- gentleness (Ep 4:2+)
- patience (Col 1:11+)
- love (Ep 5:2+)
- joy (Col 1:11+)
- thankfulness (Col 1:12+)
- light (Ep 5:8+, Ep 5:9+)
- knowledge (Col 1:10<sup>±</sup>)
- wisdom (Ep 5:15+)
- truth (3Jn 3, 4)
- fruitfulness (Col 1:12+)

In short, "The one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked" (1 John 2:6+), because that pleases God (1 Thes 4:1+).

How is it possible to walk worthy? Good question! It is learning to walk like Jesus walked. See [The Holy Spirit-Walking Like Jesus Walked!](#)

**Axios** (514) is an **adjective** was used to describe the Roman emperor when he marched in a triumphal procession. He was "**worthy**" (adjective). John tells us however that the One Who is truly "worthy" (adjective) is the Lamb, recording that he heard all creation rightly declare "**worthy** is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing. (Rev 5:12<sup>±</sup>) The Lamb slain (the resurrected and glorified Lord Jesus Christ) is the only One Who is '**worthy** to open the book and to break its seals.'" (Rev 5:2<sup>±</sup>) Christ our Redeemer Alone had the right to consummate the full redemption of His creation, the "final act" of which will begin when He breaks the seven sealed scroll, which many **futuristic commentators** identify as the "**title deed to the earth**" (Click discussion).

Axios - 41x in 39v and in the NAS is translated appropriate(1), deserve(2), deserving(4), fitting(2), keeping(2), unworthy\*(1), worthy(29). - Mt 3:8; 10:10f, 13, 37, 38; 22:8; Lk 3:8; 7:4; 10:7; 12:48; 15:19, 21; 23:15, 41; Jn 1:27; Acts 13:25, 46; 23:29; 25:11, 25; 26:20, 31; Ro 1:32; 8:18; 1Co 16:4; 2Th 1:3; 1Ti 1:15; 4:9; 5:18; 6:1; Heb 11:38; Rev 3:4; 4:11; 5:2, 4, 9, 12; 16:6

Jesus addressing the church at Sardis said "But you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their garments; and they will walk with Me in white; for they are **worthy** (**axios** = adjective) . (Re 3:4-[note](#))

Keep in mind that **axios** was originally used of drawing down a scale and hence it had to do with weight and so of that which is of equal value. For example when Paul says in Ro 8:18-**note** "that the sufferings of this present time are not **worthy** (**axios** = adjective) to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us" the picture he is painting is that present sufferings are of no weight in comparison with future glory and are not even to be balanced on the scale with the "heavy" glory that endures forever.

**How do we walk worthy? In a word...**

**You honor God's name**

**When you call Him your Father  
And live like His Son**

**THOUGHT:** "Am I conducting myself in a manner worthy of the Gospel?" is a good question for us to ask ourselves regularly.

**To reiterate this important point -- Right thinking** should always lead to **right conduct**. Knowledge and obedience go together. One cannot separate **learning** from **living**. The idea of "**worthy**" is that the conduct of the saints weigh as much as the character of Christ. Why? Because when we are surrendered to His will, He is living His life through us via His indwelling Spirit. Ultimately His conduct is the only conduct which is truly worthy, for no other conduct would balance God's perfect scales. Christ alone pleases the Father completely and as we allow Christ to rule and reign in our lives, our lives become pleasing to the Father.

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**ILLUSTRATION - COLOSSIANS 1:10** For nearly 5 years my trusty, rusty 1978 Mustang took me back and forth to work. It looked like a refugee from a junkyard, but it ran. I shared the road with some drivers who were "getting there" a bit more fashionably They rode in brand-new showroom beauties with all the options. They were getting there in style. I was just getting there. When it comes to how we live on the way to heaven, we all have an opportunity to travel "in style." When we realize all that God has given us in Christ, we shouldn't be content to bump along life's highway like drivers of beat-up old jalopies.

Paul prayed that the believers in Colossae would be "filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding" (Col 1:9<sup>+</sup>). He wanted them to realize how spiritually rich they were (Col 1:12, 13, 14<sup>+</sup>). God doesn't want us just to get to heaven. He wants us to enjoy the journey and get there in style. J D Branon

**KEEP ETERNITY'S GOAL IN SIGHT  
BY WALKING DAILY IN THE LIGHT.**