

Sermon Title: **“WALK WORTHY”**

Ephesians 4:1-3

- Sometimes we need to stop & be reminded
 - 1) Of our Reflection – we were created in the image of God
 - 2) We must NEVER – forget who we ARE
 - In light of who we are IN Christ, how should we now live IN Christ
- Because of who we are IN Christ, we are to walk in a manner which is worthy of that position (that calling)
 - “Christians” = Little Christs (we’re tiny representations of Jesus)
- Ultimately, Paul was a prisoner of the Lord. Paul had surrendered himself to Jesus’ leadership & direction
- What are the character qualities which we are commanded to pursue as we follow after Christ?

III. BEING DILIGENT TO KEEP THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT IN THE BOND OF PEACE

- “Diligently” = exert ourselves; make haste; endeavor to labor (it’s going to take intense effort on our part)
 - Am I zealously striving (doing ALL that I can) to be unified to other believers?

I. HUMILITY & GENTLENESS

- “Humility” = (literally) lowliness of mind
- Humility is having a proper view of yourself in relation to who God is
- Humility is a matter of the heart (an inward proper view of who we are because of what God’s done through Christ)
- Gentleness (some translations use the word meekness)
 - A gentle or meek person submits themselves to whatever God wants

II. PATIENCE & BEARING W/ ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE

- If we’re NOT patient w/ other people, we’re NOT loving
 - Practically, it’s living w/ the longest fuse possible
 - If this type of selfless, sacrificial, God type love is displayed – How much easier would it be to keep unity?