

Charged to  
Walk Worthy  
1 Thes. 2:9-12



For you yourselves know, brothers, that our coming to you was not in vain. <sup>2</sup> But though we had already suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the midst of much conflict. <sup>3</sup> For our appeal does not spring from error or impurity or any attempt to deceive, <sup>4</sup> but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts. <sup>5</sup> For we never came with words of flattery, as you know, nor with a pretext for greed— God is witness. <sup>6</sup> Nor did we seek glory from people, whether from you or from others, though we could have made demands as apostles of Christ.

<sup>7</sup> But we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children.

<sup>8</sup> So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.<sup>9</sup> For you remember, brothers, our labor and toil: we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.<sup>10</sup> You are witnesses, and God also, how holy and righteous and blameless was our conduct toward you believers.<sup>11</sup> For you know how, like a father with his children,<sup>12</sup> we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory. (1 Thessalonians 2:9-12)

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- Application-leadership wants to model for you doing difficult things as an example and inspiration to do what we have been called to even when it isn't easy.  
“Stir one another up to love and good works”  
(Hebrews 10:24)
- If disciple making is important then we will make room in our lives for it.



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## 2. Credibility of Integrity (10)

- Application-leadership within the church must not only communicate the selfless motive of growing others but must reveal it in their conduct.
- As a body we should communicate with our words and show with our conduct our desire to lift each other up.





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I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to WALK IN A MANNER WORTHY of the calling to which you have been called..." (Eph. 4:1)

Only let YOUR MANNER OF LIFE BE WORTHY of the gospel of Christ..." (Phil. 1:27)

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“may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to WALK IN A MANNER WORTHY of the Lord,, fully pleasing him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in knowledge of God.” (Colossians 1:9-10)

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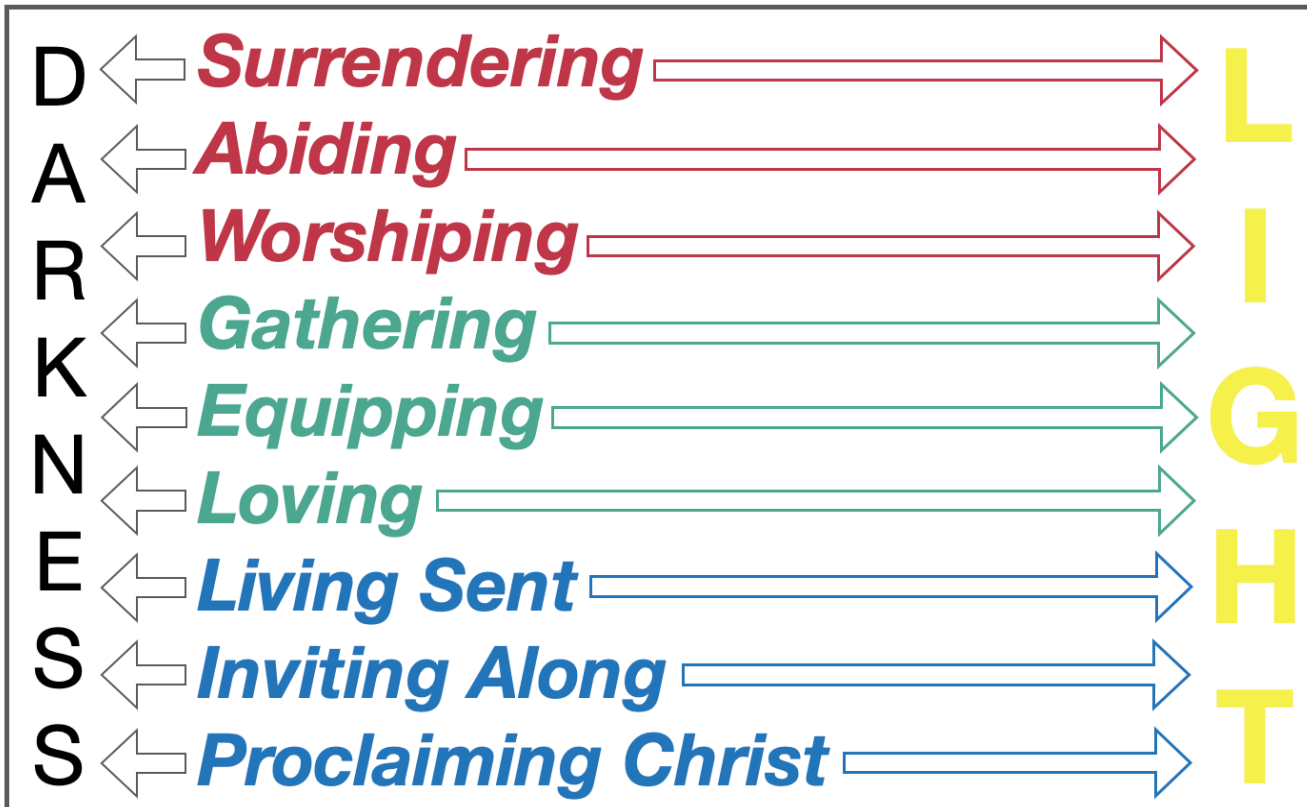
“As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who calls you is holy, you also be holy in all YOUR CONDUCT, since it is written, ‘You shall be holy, for I am holy.’”

(1 Peter 1:14-16)

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## The Priorities

A Biblical Picture of a Disciple



A Pathway to Mature bit by bit