



WALK IN HIM AND FILLED IN HIM

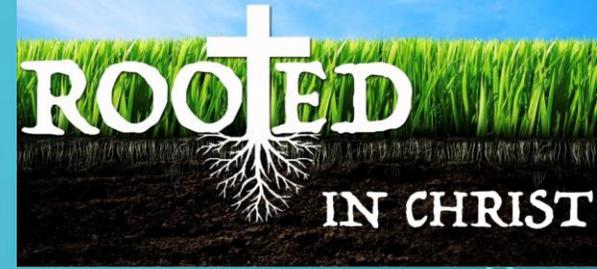
COLOSSIANS 2:6-10

## SO WALK WITH JESUS



- God wanted to walk with us right from the beginning. (Gen. 3:8)
- The word “in” in here refers to either *in* or *with*. (i.e. among)
- **Walking** is one of the main themes in the New Testament .
- What does “Walking in Christ” really mean? (Rom. 6:3-4; 8-10)
- Note: in the OT it often refers to “walk in the light of the Lord” (Isa. 2:5; also see Eph. 5:8)

# 1. ROOTED IN CHRIST



- In the parable of the **good soil** (Matt. 13), all the other seeds that did not fall on the good soil could not have roots that could **last**. (note: no root, no life!)
- Are you rooted in Christ? Or are you one of the other soil types? Asked in another way: are you **alive** in Christ?
- (Jer. 17:7-8) Our **faith** is in the person of Christ, and we are to rely on Christ to flourish.

## 2. BUILT UP IN CHRIST

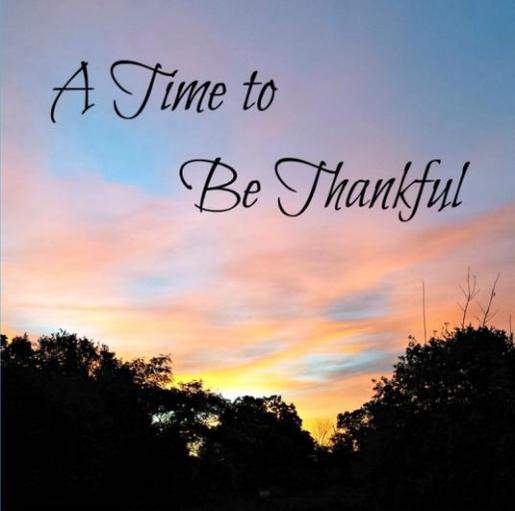
- (Eph. 2:20-22) Not just a firm foundation, as in rooting in Christ, we must also **grow up** from the foundation as a **building** that glorifies God.
- Question: are you **growing?** (i.e. changing)
- (1 Peter 2:4-6) We must do this **together**.
- (1 Cor. 3:9-15) Also we must be **mindful** of what we are using in building up this building that is Christ's. If our materials (input) are **of this world** it will not last.



### 3. ESTABLISHED IN THE FAITH

- (Matt. 7:24-25) This is why rooted and built up in Christ are so important. **Flood and winds do come!**
- There will always be empty philosophies that are sounding good to us, but which have no eternal value in their message.
- Based on **human traditions**—just because something works in the past does not mean it will work this time.
- Based on **rudiments** of the world—the classical understanding of the world that are generally accepted, but not the truth.

*A Time to  
Be Thankful*



## 4. ABOUND IN THANKSGIVING

- This is the very expression of spending time with someone—**appreciating** the person and thanking him/her for the time we spend with each other.
- We give thanks for our **salvation**. (Col. 1:12-13)
- We give thanks as our **worship** to God. (Heb. 13:15)
- We give thanks in **all things** big and small as we appreciate God. (Col. 3:17; Eph. 5:20; 1 Thes. 5:18)

# CONCLUSION

- (v.10) until we are **filled** (or complete) in Christ
- Are you rooted in Christ?
- Are you building up (growing) in Christ?
- Are you established in your faith?
- Are you abounding in thanksgiving?
- This is walking with Christ—until we are complete in Him.

