



I have often heard people refer to Lent as a walk with Jesus to the Cross and Easter Sunday. The apostle Paul reminds all of us on Col. 2:6, “as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him.” It is so important that we all realize that our lives are a spiritual journey that we take with Jesus. At the beginning of my Christian walk I had to somehow come to the conclusion that faith in Jesus was not a one of event. I had given my life to Him and asked for His forgiveness and so the job was done and the box was ticked but of course I had gotten it all wrong. I did not understand at the outset that I was embarking on a life time journey with Him. The result of my lack of knowledge about following Jesus meant that I had a rollercoaster experience in the first few months. I have to say that I had more downs than ups and I was struggling. So, what changed for me? Well, I heard a speaker talk about what it meant to walk with Jesus and he used this verse from Colossians. “Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.” My light bulb moment happened and I realized that there was more to being a Christian than a one of decision. What I had entered into was a daily walk with Jesus that required me to be engaged with Him every day. If I was to grow my faith then I needed to have my focus on Jesus. My faith needed to be played out in my daily thoughts and actions. I had tried to live my life as a Christian by staying under the radar, making it a best kept secret. We can’t be contented to keep our faith to ourselves. The word “evangelism” has become a bad word that makes so many people close their ears and walk away. We need to reclaim the word “evangelism” because it is what Jesus calls us to do. We are to share the good news of the gospel

with all people. That is the definition of the word, to spread the Christian gospel by public preaching or personal witness.

It all became clear to me that when I walk each day with Jesus I will meet with other believers, be encouraged and as I engage with the world around me, I will show Jesus through my words and actions. This is what is meant when we are called to be salt and light in the world.

Throughout the New Testament we are told to cling to Christ, to grow in him and to stay close to him. The apostle Paul offers up this powerful prayer for the Ephesian church: “For this reason

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love may have strength to comprehend with all

the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God,” (Ephesians 3:14-19). Paul is urging you and I to be “filled with all the fullness of God!” But in order for this to happen we need to get rid of the worldly clutter that fills our hearts so that there is room for Jesus. So, may we walk closely with Him each day of our lives and know that He is all we need to live a life that brings glory to God our Father. I hope like me you will enjoy your walk!

