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Walking in the Life
John 1 6-8

1. John the Baptist is anointed to testify and be a witness about who the Messiah is — the light of the world
2. John's anointing has a twist, he has not seen the Messiah, yet he has been called to witness to acts that he has not seen and to testify that the One to come was the light of Life itself
3. As Christians we are called to testify and to witness to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ whom we have not seen
4. The text raises the question if one's faith is enough, how come as Christians we have failed to testify like John?
5. Another question raised is how can we walk in the Life, if we refuse to surrender and relinquish our sins to follow Jesus?
6. Our walk in the life becomes the way that we live that Jesus lives within us (oh yes, we can talk the talk, but we fail in our walk with Jesus)
7. Our saving grace is that our walk should indicate some movement on our part in taking pain staking steps that should reflect some maturity
8. John uses the metaphor 'light' as the true light that gives life to every man
9. If one walks in light, it is impossible for us to walk in the darkness because the two cannot exist together
10. Our Christian duty is to not only live the life God gives, but to testify as John has testified
11. Walking in the life means we consider Jesus as the light of this world and we walk in life in the light by following Jesus' precepts
12. However, we stumble while we walk in life because God has given us free will, but we choose not to walk in God's permissive will (intellectually, our reason fails us as if we got this), which is a grievous error to make
13. We must walk in life as He is in the light not in the light of our own consciousness
14. Scripture reminds us that "everyone who does evil hates the light, and does not come to the light, lest our deeds are exposed"
15. Simply, this lesson has two points first, Christ is simply called "the life" in which He was manifested, and secondly — His life was manifested to be eternal life
16. The most fundamental assertion of this text is that Christ, our Life-line, has eternally existed with the Father before we were conceived (we don't belong to ourselves but to Christ)
17. So ... we need to straighten up and fly right, and began to testify and witness as John has witnessed (your walk will always reflect where you are in Christ (Life))