

Life Together: Walking as Jesus Walked  
I John 2:3-11

The Scriptures Point to a God-meant “Tension” on Earth – Gen 1:31; Heb 12:26-27

- Each life “event”... God “knocking” – Rev 3:20; Is 45:3-7; Ro 11:36; Acts 14:27; Ja 2:1-4; I Pet 5:10  
...God’s agenda: that we might know Him -Jo 17:3; Mk 4:41

Life “ala” Christ: Walking as He walked – I Jo 2:6

- Abiding in Him – it’s always about “Him”/Person – I Jo 3:3  
...He is our Source, our Supply, our Substance – I Jo 2:8; 4:17  
...He walked in unbroken fellowship with His Father – Jo 10:30; Jo 5:19,30; 6:38; 8:28; Jo 14:9  
...He walked in His Father’s “say so” and by His Father’s Love – I Tim 1:14; Ga 5:6

This World Is the Perfect Place to Walk by Faith and in Love – I Jo 2:3-11

- “Faithing”: saying what God says – II Cor 5:7; Ro 10:17; I Jo 2:3-4  
...taking God at His word in the face of apparent denial – Jo 17:17  
...a willingness to repent of self-determination and consent to God determination – Lk 5:5  
...to say “I know Him” without a consistent expression of His character is lying – I Jo 2:4  
...faithing is developed in the world of tension – Jo 16:3; Ja 1:2-4
- “Loving”: life for others – I Jo 2:9; 3:16  
...to say “I walk in the Light” yet live for ourselves is lying – I Jo 2:9  
...loving excludes self-interest as our primary motive force in life – Eph 5:2; II Cor 5:14  
...a Christian “profession” without loving “expression” is a misrepresentation of God – I Jo 4:8  
...divinely appointed consequences of the refusal to love:  
= diminished ability to see (2:9); injury to self/others (2:10); blindness (2:11)

Walking as Jesus Walked Is No Call to Sinless Perfection...

- ...but to grow up into a purer and purer expression of Christ – I Jo 3:3
- Put on the “shoe” of faithful obedience and the “shoe” of undying love and crush every “serpent” that gets in your path  
– Gen 3:15