1/14 We went over Walking with the Lord and 2 tests.

Galatians 5:22-25 & 1 Corinthians 13:4-8.

1/21 We went over examples of Walking Through Trials: Joseph/Daniel+3/Job/Paul. Today we are looking at *Hindrances to Our Walk*.

SIN IS A BIG HINDRANCE, ESPECIALLY TO PRAYER Which is a Key to Our WALK!

Psalm 66:18 (KJV)

18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:

Proverbs 15:29 (KJV)

29 The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.

Proverbs 21:13 (KJV)

13 Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard.

Proverbs 28:9 (KJV)

9 He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, <u>even his prayer *shall be*</u> <u>abomination.</u>

James 4:3 (KJV)

3 Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your lusts.

Isaiah 59:2 (KJV)

2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear.

Jeremiah 5:25 (KJV)

25 Your iniquities have turned away these *things*, and your sins have withholden good *things* from you.

Ezekiel 39:23-24 (KJV)

23 And the heathen shall know that the house of <u>Israel went into captivity for their</u> <u>iniquity</u>: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword. 24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them.

Micah 3:4 (KJV)

4 Then shall they cry unto the LORD, but <u>he will not hear them: he will even hide his</u> <u>face from them at that time</u>, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.

<u>Acts 13:22</u> (NASB)

22 "After He had removed him, He raised up David to be their king, concerning whom He also testified and said, <u>'I HAVE FOUND DAVID the son of Jesse, A MAN AFTER MY HEART, who will do all My will.'</u>

THE KEY TO OUR WALK IS IN THE SPIRIT

Romans 8:1-14 (NASB)

1 Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. 3 For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God *did:* sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5 For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, 7 because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. 10 If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. 12 So then, brethren, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-13 for if you are living according to the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

Galatians 5:16-18 (NASB)

16 But I say, <u>walk by the Spirit</u>, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. 17 For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. <u>18 But if</u> you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.

WALK IN LOVE: TEST OF LOVE 1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-8 Ephesians 5:1-2 (NASB)

1 Therefore **<u>be imitators of God</u>**, as beloved children; **2** and <u>**walk in love**</u>, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

<u>1 Corinthians 13:</u>	The LOVE TEST: 1) Does Jesus fit in the Blank? 2) Do we?]
4 Love	is patient,
Love	is kind and
Love	is not jealous;
Love	does not brag and
Love	is not arrogant,
5 <i>Love</i>	does not act unbecomingly;
Love	it does not seek its own,
Love	is not provoked,
Love	does not take into account a wrong suffered,
6 Love	does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but
Love	rejoices with the truth;
7 Love	bears all things,
Love	believes all things,
Love	hopes all things,
Love	endures all things.
8 Love	never fails.

The Gospel: A Biblical Plan of Salvation

1.	<u>Man is sinful.</u>	 – (We must realize that we are not perfect.)
	Romans 3:23	"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

- <u>The Penalty of Sin is Death</u> (God's Justice requires a payment for sin.) <u>Romans 6:23</u> " For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
- <u>God's Holiness requires perfection</u> (Holiness cannot tolerate sin.) <u>Revelation 21:27</u> "And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie; but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."
- Man cannot earn perfection (We cannot make ourselves PERFECT) * <u>Ephesians 2:8,9</u> " For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God; Not of works, lest any man should boast."
- <u>Christ made the complete payment for all sin and offers His Righteousness.</u>-(We need the Perfection/Righteousness of God to go to Heaven.)
 <u>2 Cor. 5:21</u> "For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of god in Him.'
- God only requires Faith for salvation (Believe, Trust Accept, Etc.) John 3:16 " For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
- 7. <u>A believer can know Now that he is Eternally Saved</u> <u>1 John 5:13</u> "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God."