

## NOT BY SIGHT

### Two Ways To Walk

- I. One of the most important things you can develop as a believer is the ability to walk by faith and not by sight
  - A. [1 John 5:4-Walking by faith, THIS is how you win](#)
    1. [Walking by sight is how you lose, it's how you experience defeat, it's how you get overtaken and overcome](#)
    2. The only way to walk in victory is to learn how to live and walk by faith (AND not by sight)
  - B. [2 Corinthians 5:7-We walk by faith \(Walk-Regulate one's life, conduct one's life\)](#)
    1. Faith is not a generic term we use to describe our spirituality and relationship with God, but it's the way we govern our lives everyday, it's our operating system not our app; Faith is a way of living and conducting your life
- II. There's only 2 ways to regulate and conduct one's life on this earth: Either by sight or by faith-There's 2 ways to walk
  - A. [Walking by faith is conducting and regulating your life based on your faith in God in and His Word](#)
    1. We walk by faith, which comes by hearing the Word-Romans 10:17
      - a. [We conduct our life in such a manner that no matter what we what see or feel we choose to believe what God says over everything else](#)
      - b. Whatever this Word says is what I believe to be true and I conduct my life in a manner that agrees with this Word and I do that in spite of what I see or feel and in spite what sense and reason tells me
    2. [Walking by faith is governing your life by the Word of God and choosing to believe the Word over everything else](#)
      - a. This word is my truth, my final authority, my highest reality and I conduct my life based on my faith in God and my belief that His Word is true
      - b. Making this Word your highest reality and your final authority is how you win and walk in victory and overcome
    3. [Walking by faith is believing, speaking and acting based on the truth of God's Word; I don't see it, I don't feel it, but I believe it, I say it, I act like it's true](#)
      - a. I look at what my senses say is not and I call it like it is because if the Word says it is, then it is-Rom4:17
    4. When you walk by faith you what you see and how you feel doesn't move you
  - B. [Walking by sight is conducting and regulating your life based on what you see, how you feel, your senses and natural reasoning and it's the opposite of walking by faith \(Sight-Perceive by any of the senses\)](#)
    1. [Walking by sight is conducting your life in such a manner that no matter what God says you choose to believe what you see & feel; When you're walking by sight you elevate what you see and how you feel above what the Word says](#)
      - a. Your senses and feelings and natural reasoning become your highest form of reality and your final authority
      - b. Your reality is limited to what you see/feel & that is your truth, your highest form of reality, the basis for your life
    2. Walking by sight is believing, speaking and acting based on what you see and how you feel
      - a. You see it, you feel it, it must be true so you believe it and you speak it; Your feelings are the barometer for truth
- III. Walking by sight vs. Walking by faith
  - A. [Jn14:26-Walking by sight says I don't feel peace so I don't have peace; Walking by faith says I have peace b/c the word says I do](#)
  - B. [1 John 5:14-15-Walking by sight says I prayed, but I don't feel differently or I don't see things changing so it's not working; Walking by faith says I prayed, God heard me, I have what I've asked of him and my prayer avails much](#)
  - C. [1 Peter 2:24, Matthew 8:17-Walking by sight says I have symptoms of sickness on my body so I must be sick; Walking by faith says Jesus took my infirmities and bore my sicknesses and by his stripes I am healed](#)
  - D. [John 16:22, Galatians 5:22-Walking by sight says I show all the symptoms of depression and I feel so depressed so I must be depressed; Walking by faith says I have joy right now it's a fruit of the spirit and no man takes my joy from me](#)

- E. 2 Corinthians 8:9, Galatians 3:9, Proverbs 10:22-Walking by sight says our checking is low, our savings is low we don't have much money; I am rich, the blessing of Abraham is mine and that blessing makes me rich
- F. Ps34:4,2Tim1:7,Rom8:14-Walking by sight says I am so afraid, I feel so afraid and I have so much fear and anxiety; Walking by faith says the Lord has delivered me from all my fears and I don't have the spirit of fear or the spirit of bondage again to fear
- G. Jo3:10,Ep6:10, Ph4:13-Walking by sight says I'm feel so tired, I'm feel so weak so I'm tired and weak; Walking by faith says I'm strong in the Lord and in the power of His might and I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me

#### IV. The walk of faith is lifestyle that goes against the current or the natural flow

- A. If you are actually going to live and walk by faith you are going to live, think, and talk differently then 99.99 percent of people on the planet and 95 percent of people who call themselves Christians
  - 1. The overwhelming majority of Christians conduct their life by sight and NOT by faith
  - 2. This walking by faith goes against everything you were ever taught in this world, it goes against human nature, natural understanding and reasoning
  - 3. A lot of Christian teachings have developed a mass of people who think the way you the way you get God to move in your life is just to ask him to do something and hope he does it and they know nothing about walking by faith; They pray and they "hope" and when they don't see they don't believe
- B. The more developed a person is in faith they less they are moved by what they see and feel-Acts20:24,2Cor4:18
  - 1. The stronger you get in this walk of faith what you see and feel carries less and less weight
  - 2. What we see has bothered us entirely too much and all that mean is that we are walking by sight
    - a. Why are you sure it's not working? Why are you upset? It's because of what you see or don't see
  - 3. Not seeing is uncomfortable for the flesh and unbearable for the weak Christian, but normal for the faith man
  - 4. To walk and live by faith you have to look at what you're senses say is not and call it like it is; You have to talk like it's done when it looks like it hasn't even started; You have to rejoice like you've won, when victory is not even in sight; You have to not be moved by what you see or don't see, what you feel or don't feel

#### V. We're looking for identifiers to know what is walking by sight and what is walking by faith

- A. If you're governing your life based on what you see and feel you're walking by sight
- B. If you're acting like there's only one realm you're walking by sight
- C. If you're governing your life by information you're walking by sight
- D. If you are talking what you see and how you feel you're walking by sight