

CHECK YOUR WALK

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My parents decided that before I could begin wearing high heels it would be best to send me to 'charm' school to learn how to walk in heels along with many other things. The classes basically taught you how to wear heels to walk the runway as a model. It was a lot of fun, but it was also hard work. You had to watch your posture and deliberately place your feet one in front of the other to do the walk. We learned how to put on and remove a jacket while also walking the runway. So, you had to check your walk while removing and then adding a jacket, or remove the jacket and properly carry it while you walked. It required concentration and practice to do it right. In learning mode, sometimes our ankle would twist while walking, you begin to lower your shoulders, or you fail to hold your head up. The instructor would have to bring your flaws to your attention, so you could adjust accordingly. It was hoped by the end of course when the final fashion show was held that all would walk the runway to perfection and model the outfit wherein it would be properly featured.



We are walking the runway of life as children of God and we are being featured on the runway every day. It is so important that we walk (live) in such a way we model the life of Jesus Christ in everything that we say and do. It requires consecration, concentration, and commitment to do this effectively. We are on the practice runway and the Holy Spirit is daily teaching through the Word how we should walk. When we stumble, lose focus, we need His Spirit to correct us. There is no need to be embarrassed or feel guilty while in training as when the time comes we will be ready for the final event.

Romans 6:1 (AMP) says, "Therefore, (there is) now no condemnation (no adjudging guilty of wrong) for those who are in Christ Jesus, who live [and] walk not after the dictates of the flesh, but after the dictation of the Spirit." It is crucial to check our walk daily according to the word so when the Lord comes for His Church we are ready to be with the Lord forever, ready to walk on the streets of gold.

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