

## **SEASONS of our walk with God –**

Katrina and the waves 1983

Ohhhh, yeeeh

I used to think maybe you loved me now baby I'm sure

And I just can't wait till the day when you knock on my door

I'm walking on sunshine, wooah I'm walking on sunshine, woooah

I'm walking on sunshine, woooah And don't it feel good!

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The Bangles - Walk Like an Egyptian 1986

All the old paintings on the tombs They do the sand dance don't you know?

If they move too quick (oh whey oh)

They're falling down like a domino All the bazaar men by the Nile

They got the money on a bet Gold crocodiles (oh whey oh)

(Whey oh whey oh, ay oh whey oh) Walk like an Egyptian

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Fats Domino 1957

I'm walkin', yes indeed And I'm talkin' about you and me

I'm hopin' that you'll come back to me, yeah I'm lonely as I can be

I'm waiting for your company I'm hoping that you'll come back to me

I'm walkin', yes indeed And I'm talkin' about you and me

I'm hopin' that you'll come back to me

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Nancy Sinatra 1966

You keep sayin' you've got somethin' for me  
Somethin' you call love but confess

You've been a 'messin' where you shouldn't 've been a 'messin'

And now someone else is getting all your best  
These boots are made for walkin'

And that's just what they'll do  
One of these days these boots are gonna walk all over you

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Walk This Way · Aerosmith 1975

Lyrics not appropriate? ? ?

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**SEASONS of your walk – winter = growth within, summer = dry, thirsty, spring = cleansing, pruning, fresh new life, Fall = harvest, plentiful**

**Process to mature – milk before meat, simple before complicated, shallow before deep**

Timing – prayer answers...yes, no , later, Ill let you know?

Conditions – empty hurt, alone broke? Satisfied, surrounded and blessed.

Tests of our behavior (character, values)

Lessons of the mind (understanding) how I think, wrestle with confusion, renewing

With other People – supportive, manipulators, fakes, inspirations, etc

**1 Kings 17** – (Elijah lived about 60 years)

Now Elijah the Tishbite, said to Ahab, “As the Lord, the God of Israel, lives, whom I serve, there will be neither dew nor rain in the next few years except at my word.”

2 Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah: 3 “Leave here, turn eastward and hide in the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan. 4 You will drink from the brook, and I have directed the ravens to supply you with food there.”

5 So he did what the Lord had told him. He went to the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan, and stayed there. 6 The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook.

After a long time, in the third year, the word of the Lord came to Elijah: "Go and present yourself to Ahab, and I will send rain on the land."

Hid for 40 days from jezebel... (alone, depressed, rejected)

For 6 years he mentored Elisha

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### **Moses lived 120 years –**

40 yrs = raised in Egypt in Pharaohs court – 1500 BC (thinking he was somebody)

40 yrs = lived in exile, ran from God and authorities, shepherd (realized he was nobody)

**only 50 days** from Passover to Pentecost – red sea, mt sinai (10 commandments)

stood all night raising his staff, took 4 hours to get 1 million people across.

40 yrs = wandering complaining, only to see but not enter promise land (realized God can use a nobody)

### **SIT WALK STAND – watchman nee - 1957**

In concise and straight-forward language punctuated very occasionally by a story, Nee says we are first to rest (sit) in our position in Christ, then as a natural outflowing, walk the kingdom life, and then lastly, to stand in Christ's name against evil. Walking and standing can only flow out of sitting.

According to Paul in Ephesians,

Christian life starts – as we Sit with Jesus in the heavenlies

We are then challenged to Walk a Christian Life in this World

Finally, we are to hold our place of victory by Standing against the enemy

Deuteronomy 6:7 - You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

Ephesians is 3 things – **Doctrinal, practical, relational** (**Ephesus in Modern Turkey**) **Prison...Ruins...Map**

Apply faith to God, our life, and to others

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1. Sit – wait, rest, receive
2. Walk – get going, do something, obey, move
3. Stand – fight, engage, protect, aggressively conquer

**BECOME Christlike, DO Godly things, BE who you are supposed to be !**

MATURITY... chapter 4:13... 14... 15...

Acts ch 1 – wait, receive... Exod 33...

1. Eph 2:6 - And God raised us up with Christ and **seated us with him** in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, (YOU DON'T KNOW YOUR PLACE!)  
Know who you are in Christ... redeemed, forgiven, equipt, blessed, called, adopted, united, reconciled, citizen, freed, hidden, justified,  
Im confident to serve and to lead, to learn and to teach, to be humbled and to be exalted, to be corrected and to rebuke.
2. 1 John 2:6 - Eph 4:1 - I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you **to walk worthy** of the calling with which you were called, 2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love
3. Acts 1:8 – you will receive power... don't leave home without it! Don't try it on your own.  
eph 6:10,11 – strength, power, armor, stand! (assertive, offensive position)

Acts 2: 37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” 38 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And **you will receive** the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.” 40 With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. 42 **They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.** 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. 46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 4: 3 They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day...

18 Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. 19 But Peter and John replied, “Which is right in God’s eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! 20 As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.”

**Whipped, jailed eventually martyred. They took a stand!**

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