*Northwest Bible Church - Jan. 27, 2008 - Worship Service - Alan Conner*

**Col. 2:4-7**

*Walking in Christ*

**Intro**

**I. OUR WALK IN CHRIST (v. 6).**

A. When we came to faith in Christ, we received Him as

CHRIST -

JESUS -

LORD -

B. What is spiritual walking?

**II. IS BASED ON A SOLID PAST FOUNDATION (v. 7)**.

A. "firmly rooted"**-**perfect passive ptcp.

B. Those easily lead astray are not firmly rooted.

**III. AND ON A PRESENT SPIRITUAL BUILDING PROGRAM (v. 7).**

A. "Built up in Him" - present pass. ptcp. - as a temple or house is built on a foundation

B. "Established in your faith"- present passive ptcp.

1) So what is faith? **Heb. 11:1**

2) Why is faith so important in the Christian life?

 3) How become established in our faith?

Prayer (Lk. 17:5).

Scripture (Rom. 10:17); cf. Col. 2:7.

 Humility (Mt. 8:10 ; Mt. 15:28).

C. "Abounding in gratitude" - present active ptcp.

1) Thanksgiving is both a **mark** and an **aid** to growing faith.

 2) "Abounding" or overflowing, like a river overflows its bank.

 **Conclusion**