

Sunday Sermon Recap

September 20, 2026 | Cesar Aleman, Worship Director | Laveen Baptist Church

1. Title

Walk Worthy of the Calling

2. Speaker

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3. Link to Sermon

Full Service: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MctB6l8aRxo>

Sermon Only: https://youtu.be/9NrCj_T_ZA8

4. Date of Sermon

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5. Main Bible Verse

Ephesians 4:1-6

“Therefore I, the prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk worthy of the calling you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, accepting one another in love, diligently keeping the unity of the Spirit with the peace that binds us. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope at your calling—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.”

6. Summary and Highlights

Cesar opened by reminding the church of the rich theological foundation in the earlier chapters of Ephesians: we are saved by grace through faith in Christ alone, reconciled to God and to one another, no longer strangers but one new people in Christ. Chapter 4 then shifts from doctrine to practice.

Paul, writing as a prisoner for the Lord, passionately urges believers to “walk worthy of the calling” they have received. This is not merely something to memorize—it must be lived out. Our identity in Christ must shape our actions, and our actions must reflect our identity.

How we are called to walk:

- Humility – God-focused, not self-centered. Making God bigger and ourselves smaller. Recognizing we are unworthy yet chosen.
- Gentleness / Meekness – Willing to be led by the Father and by others, accepting God’s dealings without resistance. Jesus is the perfect example.
- Patience (long-suffering) – Enduring injuries from others while still responding in love. Confrontation is sometimes needed, but always in love.
- Accepting one another in love – Actively keeping the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Unity in the Body

Division is normal in the world, but it is not normal in the church. We are one body, one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all. Unity does not mean we agree on every detail, but we agree that Jesus is Lord and He is the Head of the church. When one member hurts, we all hurt; when one rejoices, we all rejoice. Love (an action, not just a feeling) produces unity; hate produces division.

Cesar challenged the church to encourage one another, care for those who are missing or hurting, and intentionally connect across generations and ministries. God has kept the doors of Laveen Baptist Church open for a purpose—unity is essential if we are to fulfill it.

7. Key Takeaway

Because we have been saved by grace and given an undeserved calling, we must walk worthy of it—with humility, gentleness, patience, and love—diligently protecting the unity of the Spirit. Our actions must match our identity in Christ so that the world sees Jesus in us.

If you have not received Jesus as your Savior, here is a short presentation of the Gospel:

• All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23). • The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord (Romans 6:23). • God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). • If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved (Romans 10:9).

A Prayer of Salvation

Heavenly Father, I know that I am a sinner and that I cannot save myself. I believe that Jesus Christ is Your Son, that He lived a sinless life, died on the cross for my sins, and rose again on the third day. Today I turn from my sin and place my trust in Jesus Christ alone as my Savior and Lord. Please forgive my sins, give me a new heart, and help me follow You all the days of my life. Thank You for Your grace, Your mercy, and the gift of eternal life. I confess Jesus as my Lord and gladly receive Him by faith. In Jesus' name, Amen.

If you prayed this prayer, we would love to hear from you and walk with you. Please contact us:

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In Christ alone