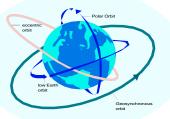


Back in the 1960's, a bright young man was working on his PhD thesis, developing techniques for linking spaceships together in orbit. And not just in earth orbit, but in lunar orbit — around the moon. He finally got the job done, then had to defend his thesis. In other words, he was only "talking the talk" about what he had developed.





On July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1969, this young man — Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin landed on the moon and became the second man (right after Neil Armstrong) to walk there. Fun stuff! Walking on the MOON !!

But the tricky part was still to come. After lifting off from the moon, the men had to rendezvous and link up with the Apollo mother ship in lunar orbit. Buzz Aldrin

used those same techniques he had developed in his thesis to successfully perform the rendezvous and return home. So in a very real way, he was now "walking the walk" — doing the things he had only talked about previously.

And that wasn't the only brave thing Buzz did during the trip. Despite objections from NASA (and severe weight restrictions), he insisted on bringing along a pair of wafers and two little vials of wine so that he and Neil could honour God in a humble little communion service — right there on the moon at Tranquility Base! Aldrin was walking the walk — again.

Sometimes, we really have to live up to our words and do what we say we will do. As Christians, we all have to walk the walk — not just by *talking* about being faithful to God, but by actually *doing* it. We must try to live a clean life as an example to others.

"Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant will be also. My Father will honour the one who serves me." *– John 12:26* 



