

SURE FOUNDATION BIBLE STUDY

LESSON 1

BEGINNING YOUR NEW LIFE WITH CHRIST

The Christian life, as God intended it to be lived, is not a mere standard of performance, a code of ethics or life of ritual, but a vital, personal relationship with the living creator God as He has revealed Himself to man through the person of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Every Christian can have the assurance that a right relationship exists between himself and God. Without this confidence it is impossible for one to experience true happiness and complete fulfillment in life.

The moment that you, as an act of faith, receive Jesus Christ into your life to be your Lord and Savior, He came in.

This is what He promises in **John 10:9**... *"I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture."*

Also in **John 6:37**... *"The one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out"*.

Have you received Christ into your life in this way? _____

If so, where is Jesus Christ right now in relation to you? _____

On the basis of **John 10:9**, how do you know that Christ is in your life? _____

Now that you have received Jesus Christ into your life, you have established a personal relationship with Him.

You have now become a true Christian. You do not become a Christian by living a good life or by being born into a Christian family. The word "Christian" means "Christ in one" - Christ living in you. The Bible tells us that many things happen when Christ comes to live in you.

A NEW RELATIONSHIP

1. What does the Resurrection prove to us about Jesus Christ? (Romans 1:4) _____

2. Who is Jesus Christ? (I John 5:20) _____

3. What would be the result for us if Christ had not risen from the dead? (I Corinthians 15:13-17) _____

4. a. What did you become when you received Christ? (John 1:12) _____

- b. Since other Christians are also God's children, what is your relationship to them? _____

Salvation is God's favor freely given to man when he puts his faith in Jesus Christ as Savior, resulting in the forgiveness of sin.

5. a. Is salvation the reward of a man's good works? (Ephesians 2:8-9) _____

- b. How is salvation obtained? _____

6. Have you received forgiveness for your sins? (Colossians 1:13-14) _____

7. a. Will Christ ever leave you? (Hebrews 13:5) _____
- b. Since Christ has promised never to leave you, how many times do you have to invite Him to come into your life? _____

A NEW LIFE

1. Read I John 5:11-13
2. Where is eternal life found? (I John 5:11) _____

3. If a person has Christ in his life, what kind of life does he have? (I John 5:13) _____

4. a. Can a person know that he has eternal life right now? (I John 5:13) _____

- b. Do you know that you have eternal life? _____

- c. How do you know? _____

A NEW ADVENTURE

5. Now that you have Christ in your life, what have you become? (II Corinthians 5:17) _____

6. What can separate you from Christ? (Romans 8:38-39) _____

7. Who can take you away from Christ? (John 10:27-29) _____

CONCLUSION

8. On the basis of this study what are some of the things that you know are true of your life right now?

9. Would you like to thank God right now for what He has done for you? _____

Thanking God demonstrates faith! True genuine saving faith.

Some people feel a lot of emotion while others don't. It's important that you know that the wonderful gift of salvation God has given you is based entirely upon the facts of His Word; and the work that Christ accomplished upon the cross nearly 2000 years ago and has nothing to do with your feelings or emotions.

SUGGESTED READING: JOHN 3

ANSWERS

A NEW RELATIONSHIP...

1. The resurrection proved that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
2. Jesus is God and eternal life.
3. If Christ had not risen from the dead, our preaching is useless; our trust in God is empty, worthless, hopeless, and the apostles were all liars.
4.
 - a. I became a child of God.
 - b. Other Christians are my brothers and sisters.
5.
 - a. Salvation is not the reward for a man's good works.
 - b. Salvation is obtained through faith in Jesus Christ.
6. Yes, I received forgiveness for my sins.
7.
 - a. Christ will never leave me.
 - b. We invite Christ into our lives only once.

A NEW LIFE...

1. Eternal life is found in Jesus Christ.
2. He has eternal life.
3.
 - a. Yes, a person can know that he has eternal life.
 - b. Yes, I know I have eternal life.
 - c. Because Jesus promised it in His Word to those who have received Him.

A NEW ADVENTURE...

1. I have become a new creation.
2. Nothing can separate me from Christ.
3. No one can take me away from Christ.

ANY QUESTIONS? _____

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