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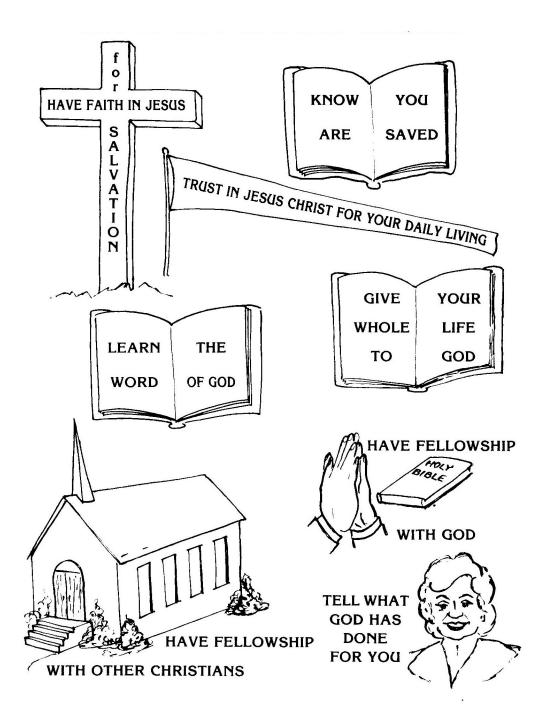
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LESSON 10

Personal Evangelism

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How to Grow as a New Christian



How to Grow as a New Christian

In this lesson we want to learn how:

- 1. We can show the new Christian what happens to him
- 2. We can show the new Christian how to grow:
 - 1) The new Christian must have faith in Jesus Christ for salvation
 - 2) The new Christian must know he is saved
 - 3) The new Christian must trust Jesus Christ in his daily living
 - 4) The new Christian must give his whole life to God
 - 5) The new Christian must learn the Word of God
 - 6) The new Christian must have fellowship with God
 - 7) The new Christian must have fellowship with other Christians
 - 8) The new Christian must tell what God has done for him
- 3. We can help the new Christian
- 4. The new Christian can be helped in other ways

In this lesson we also want to:

- 1. Review Bible verses we have learned
- 2. Do an assignment

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How to Grow as a New Christian

When a person accepts Jesus Christ as his Savior, he starts a new life. He knows his life has been changed, but he may not understand what has happened. He may not know what to do next.

1. We can show the new Christian what happens to him

When a person accepts Jesus Christ as Savior, these things happen in his life:

- 1) **Jesus Christ lives in him** (Revelation 3:20; Colossians 1:27).
- 2) **His sins are forgiven** (Colossians 1:13,14)
- 3) He is a child of God (John 1:12).
- 4) **He has a new life within him** (John 10:10; 2 Corinthians 5:17). "("How to Experience and Share the Abundant Life", p. 67)

What Jesus Christ has done for the new Christian is wonderful. Encourage the new Christian to thank God for what He has done for him. The new Christian shows his faith in Christ when he can truly thank God.

"Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!" 2 Corinthians 9:15

2. We can show the new Christian how to grow

1) The new Christian must have faith in Jesus Christ for salvation

God does not promise us that we will always feel we are saved. We will not! We Christians live by faith in what God says. We do not live by the way we feel.



When we know the way of salvation, we receive it by faith. We may have feelings or we may not have

feelings about it. It is like a skidoo pulling a sleigh. The skidoo needs a driver. The skidoo is fact, the driver is faith, and the sleigh is feeling. The skidoo and driver are needed, but the sleigh is not needed.



We have a Savior Who has made the way of salvation.

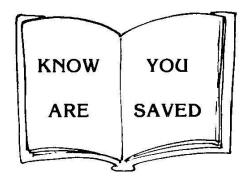
We accept the way of salvation by faith.

We do not need the feelings.

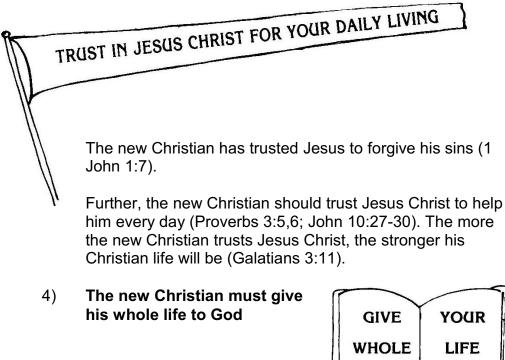
The new Christian must know he is saved 2)

We may ask the new Christian, "Has Jesus Christ come into your life?" Let him answer.

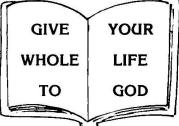
We may ask, "How do you know Jesus Christ came into your life?" We may read Revelation 3:20, 1 John 5:12,13, or John 5:24 to him. Further, we may tell him, "When Jesus Christ says He will come into your life, He does it."



3) The new Christian must trust Jesus Christ in his daily living



When a person takes Jesus into his life, the Holy Spirit comes to live in this Christian (Ephesians 1:13). The Holy Spirit wants to



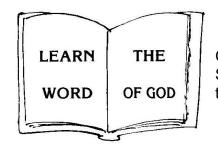
control the Christian (Romans 8:13-15). The Holy Spirit also gives the Christian strength to live the Christian life (Acts 1:8; Galatians 5:16,17; Romans 12:1,2).

When the Christian gives his life to God, he will want to obey God (John 14:21).

5) The new Christian must learn the Word of God

The new Christian must learn the Word of God. There are several ways in which the new Christian can learn the Word of God.

Read the Bible



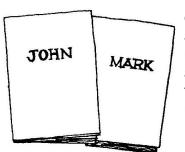
It is very important for the new Christian to read the Word of God. The Holy Spirit will show him many truths as he reads the Bible (John 14:26).

Study the Bible with another Christian.

The new Christian can ask the older Christian questions about the Bible.

Go to a church where the minister teaches the Word of God.





The new Christian can learn the Word of God as he listens to the minister in church. He can ask the minister about the things he does not understand.



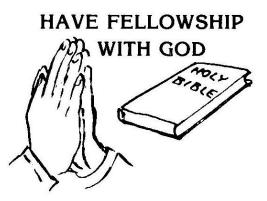
Study Bible courses.

Bible School is a good place to learn the Word of God. Many cannot go to Bible School. If the new Christian can read, he can study Bible courses with the help of the minister or another Christian. If this cannot be done, he can study Bible courses by correspondence.

6) The new Christian must have fellowship with God

Fellowship is when two or more people enjoy the same things. They tell each other everything. They think and feel the same about many things.

Fellowship with God is a two-way thing. The Christian talks to God and God talks to the Christian. The Christian talks to God in prayer. God talks to the Christian through the



Word of God. It is important to pray and read the Bible every day. The Christian needs to have fellowship with God every day.

7) The new Christian must have fellowship with other Christians

A new Christian should meet with another Christian often. They can help each other in many ways. They can tell each other what God has done for them. They can study the Word of God together.

A new Christian should meet with other Christians in church.



HAVE FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER CHRISTIANS

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the

habit of doing, but let us encourage one another ---and all themore as you see the Day approaching."Hebrews 10:25

It is like a camp fire. When we take one log away from the fire that log will soon get cold and go out. When Christians stay away from other Christians, they soon lose interest in the things of God.

8) The new Christian must tell what God has done for him

It is important for the new Christian to tell someone what God has done for him (Romans 10:9,10). He should do this just as soon as possible.

A person who has taken Jesus into his life, wants to tell others. He wants his family and friends to know Jesus too.

We may ask the new Christian, "Whom would you want Jesus to save?" There are two things the new Christian can do to talk to his friends about Jesus. These two things are:

- 1) Pray for his friends
- 2) Talk to his friends about Jesus

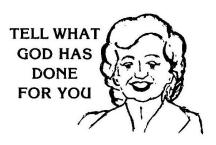
3. We can help the new Christian

When you bring a person to Jesus, you should help him. This is very important.

- 1) Invite the new Christian to study the Bible with you.
- 2) Be ready to help the new Christian with his problems and questions. Give him your phone number and tell him where he can find you.
- 3) Let the minister of a Bible-believing church know about this new Christian.
- 4) When you cannot help the new Christian, find someone to help him. Find someone who lives close to the new Christian.
- 5) When there are no Christians near the new Christian, help him by writing him often. Also help him start a Bible course.

4. The new Christian can find help.

 Read the Bible. It would be good to read the Gospel of John first.



- 2) Read good books:
 "Lonely Search" by Owen Salway.
 "The Bushman and the Spirits" by Owen Salway.
 "The Grieving Indian" by Arthur H. with George McPeek.
- Use devotional books:
 "Our Daily Bread"
- 4) Read good papers:
 "Indian Life"
 "Muskeg Moccasingraph"
 "Focus on the Family"
- 5) Study Bible courses: Bible courses on line Mailbox Club courses T.R.I.B.E. courses B.E.E. courses

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Verses to learn:

Review the following verses:

Romans 6:23

Romans 3:23

John 3:16

1 John 1:7

2 Peter 3:9

John 3:36

Romans 10:17

Isaiah 55:11

2 Timothy 1:7

Luke 19:10

1 John 1:9

John 14:6

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Assignment:

- 1. Write how the new Christian can grow.
 - 1) The new Christian must have _____ in Jesus Christ for salvation.
 - 2) The new Christian must _____ he is saved.
 - 3) The new Christian must _____ Jesus Christ in his daily living.
 - 4) The new Christian must _____ his whole life to God.
 - 5) The new Christian must ______ the Word of God.
 - 6) The new Christian must _____ with God.
 - 7) The new Christian must _____ with other Christians.
 - 8) The new Christian must _____ has done for him.
- 2. Write out as many verses as you can.

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