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Developing Spiritual Growth

The desire of "Somebody Loves You" is to teach and train Christians through the Word of God.

LESSON #6 - THE LIFE OF THE BELIEVER

I. Our Past

A. In Ephesians 2: 1-3, Paul describes our past, saying that we were _____ in trespasses and sins.

B. Who is controlling the course of this world? _____ (The term "course" describes a weathervane being blown by the wind. Whatever direction Satan blows, the world follows).

C. Our conversation in times past fulfilled the _____ and desires of the _____ and the _____.

D. In I Corinthians 6: 9-11; Paul uses a term in verse 11 saying. "And such were some of you." List what many of us use to be and the result of that lifestyle?

("Effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind" [KJV] speaks of male prostitutes & homosexuals).

E. Ephesians 4: 17-19. In verses 17-19, list six negative attributes of the walk of other gentiles.

If we truly examine our hearts as God does, we recognize that dead works were once within us, whether in action or in heart. Before we move into our present walk with God, consider this vital question, 'Have the dead works of your flesh been put out of business?' If not, then repent before God at this very moment and allow the love of Christ, through the Spirit of God, to change you, day by day.

II. Our Present Walk

A. According to I Corinthians 6: 11, list three things that describe our present position in Jesus by the Spirit of God.

B. As our Father has done His work through His Son to set us free from the bondage of sin and death, let us realize our responsibility as believers to begin living an obedient life. Study Ephesians 4:21-32 and let us examine our walk with Christ together. In verses 21-24, what must I put off?

What must I put on? _____

C. In verse 25, what must I "put away"?

What must I do? _____

D. In verses 26 & 27, how do I give place to the devil? _____ (Are you angry with your wife, family, friends, co-workers and is it creating bitterness within you? This anger and bitterness must be taken care of. Matthew 6: 14-15; 18: 21-22 & Colossians 3: 13)

E. In verse 28 it says that we "are not to steal anymore," but rather we are to do two things, what are they? _____ and _____

F. In verse 29 and also in Ephesians 5: 4, what are we *not* to do?

Now list from both Scriptures what our communication should be: _____

G. As we have studied these passages, I hope you have noticed that there must first be a putting off of the old ways and a putting on of a new way which is after Jesus Christ. Study vs. 30-32; have you put off verse 31, and put on verse 32?
Yes or No.

III. Our Daily Exercise

A. According to Romans 12: 1, as we rise in the morning, we must, "_____ our bodies a _____, which is your reasonable service or spiritual worship" (NIV): Day by day, we must present our lives to God's will.

B. Secondly, we must motivate our life through His Word. What does it say in Psalm 1:2?

As this is done, what does the Word become in my life?

C. We must exercise praise and prayer. These two are inseparable, like grace and peace! In Ephesians 5: 19-20, what are we to do?

Study I Timothy 2: 1-4 and expand your prayer life.

D. Be watchful in three areas of your life through a listening ear and a ready mind. (Proverbs 8: 34) For whom must you be watchful?

1. Luke 12:37 _____

2. Ephesians 6: 18 _____

3. I Peter 5:8 _____

IV. Our Future Hope

A. According to Philippians 1: 6, how long will a good work be performed in your life? _____

B. In Titus 1: 2 what is our hope? _____

C. John 14: 1-3. What is Jesus doing and what will He do for us? _____

D. Revelation 21: 1-7 and dwell upon the beauty, love, and peace that awaits the children of God.

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