Lesson 4 <u>The New Life</u>

In the previous lesson we learned that:

- We can know the way of salvation.
- Only Christ can satisfy the human heart.
- Whosoever will, may come to Him.
- To believe is to place one's entire confidence in Him for salvation.
- 1. After believing on Christ, must one wait to have eternal life? (5:24)

Notice that the tense of the verb "to have" used in this verse indicates that eternal life is the present possession of the believer. Therefore, the moment that a man believes in Christ:

2. He is not... (3:18)

- 3. He has... (3:36) _____
- 4. He is passed... (5:24) _____

We read in the Word of God: "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God, that ye may know that ye have eternal life..." (1 John 5:13.) Note: Questions 5, 6 and 7 are based on 1 John 5:13, the verse from which we have just quoted.

- 5. To whom does God address these words?
- 6. What verb is used to describe the degree of assurance that a believer should have concerning his present possession of eternal life? (a) Suppose; (b) hope; (c) know.

After having received the Lord Jesus, to be uncertain of our salvation is not a sign of modesty; it is rather casting a reflection on the reliability of God's Word. Any true believer may freely say with Paul: "...I know whom I have believed..." 2 Timothy 1:12.

- 7. What is the basis of the believer's assurance of eternal life? (a) his feelings; (b) the promises of men; (c) the written Word of God; (d) his good works; (e) church membership.
- 8. Who is able to pluck out of Christ's hand those who believe? (10:27,28)
- 9. Who joins with Christ to safeguard the Christians salvation? (10:29)

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- 10. What is the verb used to indicate the radical transition *from death unto life* which takes place when one believes on Christ? (5:24)
- 11. What is this transition from death unto life called in John 3:7?
- 12. Those who have received Jesus Christ are born: (a) of blood; (b) of the will of man; (c) of God? (1:12,13)

Although we were not "born again" through doing good works, nevertheless, the possession of this new kind of life naturally produces great changes in us. Paul expressed it this way: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold <u>all things are become new</u>."

- 13. How did the man who was previously blind express his *new outlook* on *life*? (9:25) _____
- 14. What new conduct does Jesus expect of one who has been saved? (8:11)

15. What means had God chosen to change our manner of life? (15:3)

16. After I have believed on Christ, what must I do to be a faithful disciple? (8:31)

17. What new privilege do I now enjoy? (16:24)

18. What does Jesus do for those in whom His Word abides? (15:7)

19. When can we be sure that God answers our prayers? (9:31)

20. What new commandments has Jesus given to His disciples? (13:34,35)

21. How can I show that I have a sincere love for the Lord? (14:21)

- 22. Having himself found Jesus, what was Andrew's new desire toward his brother? (1:41,42) _____
- 23. What did the impotent man do immediately after Jesus had healed him? (5:15)
- 24. After rising from the dead, what did Jesus say to His disciples about spreading this good news? (20:21)
- 25. Why must I hasten to spread the message of the grace of God? (9:4)

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