

XII. Caring for the New Christian

A. Assurance - How do I know?

1. Doubt will come.

Illustration - I've asked many Christians about this.

2. Two reasons

a. Trust in feelings

b. Don't realize that Bible says you can know for certain.

B. Begin follow up immediately.

By follow up we mean giving spiritual care ... individually.

1. Infants need IMMEDIATE CARE

a. Born into God's family as a baby

b. Baby needs to be fed, protected, and trained

c. Therefore, every baby needs a parent (I Corinthians 4:15)

d. God commits the baby to the parent Illustration - My children...committed to God

e. What happens to the converts? Depends on whether we take our responsibility as parents.

f. Personal worker gives "first bottle of milk" - "Beginning With Christ."

2. Satan attacks immediately...doubt...temptations, etc.

C. How?

Assignment

1. Memorize II Peter 3:18 and I Corinthians 4:15

2. Review twelve weeks of notes

3. List some evidences that we might expect in the life of a person who has made a sincere decision for Christ.

4 Are we right in assuming that when a convert does not go on he was insincere? State reasons.

Unit 12 “Check-Yourself” Test

Memory Verses:

II Peter 3:18

I Corinthians 4:15

1. If a person comes to know the Lord on Tuesday night, when should we begin our follow-up?

2. Is it common for young Christians to have doubts about their salvation? _____

3. What is the second reason that Christians often lack assurance of salvation? _____

4. If we are unable to contact the new Christian by a visit or phone call, what can we do? _____

5. How should a Christian read his Bible? _____

Answers To “Check-Yourself” Tests - Unit 12

1. The same night.; 2. Yes.; 3. Failure to realize it is possible to “know” we have eternal life.; 4. Write a letter.; 5. Consistently and consecutively.