13. The true believer is safe and secure in Christ forever because God will complete the great work of salvation which He began in him (Phil. 1:6).

In Philippians 1:6 what word is a word of assurance? __________________________

Paul was fully persuaded that the One who had __________ a good work in these Philippian believers would also _______________ it (finish it, complete it) until the ______ of ______________ _____________. Who was the One who began this good work in the lives of these believers? ________ Who is the One who keeps on working in them (Philippians 2:13; Hebrews 13:20-21)? ________ Will He finish this work (Philippians 1:6)? ________ Is God able to finish what He begins (Jude 24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Hebrews 7:25)? ________

What great event are believers waiting for (1 Corinthians 1:7)? __________________

What great event are believers looking for (Titus 2:13)? ________________

How do we know that this great event will take place (John 14:1-3)? __________________

Were the believers in Corinth mature and healthy and growing (1 Corinthians 3:1-2)? ________ Was the Corinthian church a united church or a divided church (1 Cor. 1:10-13; 3:3-4)? ____________________________ Did all of the members of the Corinthian church live holy and pure lives (1 Cor. 5:1,13; 11:29-30)? ________ And yet, in spite of all their failures and sins and problems, we are amazed to discover that in 1 Corinthians 1:8 Paul tells these believers that the Lord Jesus shall _______________ them unto the ______ so that they would be _______________ in the ________ of our Lord Jesus Christ! Is God able to finish the good work that He has begun even in Corinthian believers? ________ Even in you? ________

Philippians 1:6 and 1 Corinthians 1:8 both mention a certain day. What is this day called? ____________________________ We learn in 1 Corinthians 1:7 that this “day” will come to pass when what great event takes place? ________________

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Eternal Security
Name ____________________________
God’s eternal purpose is to conform us to what (Rom. 8:28-29)?

When will God’s purpose for us be fulfilled (1 John 3:2)?

According to 1 John 3:2, why will we be like Christ on that day?

Does God want us to see and behold the Lord Jesus even now (2 Cor. 3:18)? How can we see Christ today (Luke 24:27, 44-45; John 5:39)?

If it were possible for a true believer to lose his salvation, then God’s eternal purpose to conform him to the image of Christ would have failed! Is this possible? When God purposes to do something, will that purpose be fulfilled (Isaiah 14:27; 46:10-11)?

We have now studied 13 reasons (pages 54-72) why the true believer is eternally safe and secure in Christ forever! Does the Bible teach that a true believer can lose his salvation and be lost (John 6:37-40)? If you are a true believer in Christ, are you really safe and secure in Christ forever (John 10:28)?

It is vitally important not only to KNOW that I am saved, but also to SHOW that I am saved. If I really have God’s LIFE then that LIFE ought to be manifested and demonstrated. I need to remember that there is something that every true believer possesses:

“He that believeth on Me hath (has) eternal” (John 6:47)

“He is passed from death unto” (John 5:24)

“He that hath (has) the Son hath (has)” (1 John 5:12)

Therefore, every true believer possesses L. The person who is not a true believer does not have (1 John 5:12 and compare Eph. 2:1). He is dead. He breathes and exists and walks and eats, but he does not have the of (Ephesians 4:18).

Let’s think about physical life for a moment. We know that the body without the spirit is (James 2:26). How did Martha know that her brother Lazarus was truly dead (John 11:39)? (decomposition is a sure sign of death!) What did Lazarus do that indicated that he had truly come back to life (John 11:44)?

If you were to see a person walking, talking, eating and laughing, you would certainly conclude that this person must have physical.

Suppose you had a young child who was only a year old. Suddenly one day you hear your child falling down the stairs. As you rush to help your child, would you rather hear your child crying or would you rather hear no sound at all?

Why?

If you were to hear your baby crying, then that would be a sure sign that your child is.
As children of God and as possessors of God’s LIFE, there ought to be **signs of LIFE.**

There ought to be certain signs in our life that clearly show that we have been born of God. We want to study what these signs are and we want to test ourselves to see if these signs are really present in our lives. The Bible says, “_________________ [test] yourselves, whether ye be in the ______________” (2 Cor. 13:5). Are you really in the ______________ (2 Cor. 13:5)? Have you really __________________________ on the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 16:31)? Have you really passed from ____________ unto ____________ (John 5:24)? Have you really been S____________ by G____________ through F___________ (Eph. 2:8)? Have you really C________ to Christ as a poor, helpless, hopeless, lost sinner (John 6:37)? Have you truly R_______________ Him (John 1:12)?

We are now going to go to the Bible and look at certain **signs of life** or characteristics that ought to be true of every believer. If these things do not characterize your life, then this means one of two things: **1) You are spiritually sick.** That is, you are a true believer who is very carnal and in a backslidden state (1 Cor. 3:1-4). You need to get right with God. **2) You are spiritually dead.** That is, you are not a true believer and you don’t have God’s life. You may have *professed* salvation but you may never have *possessed* salvation. You need to receive Christ as your personal Saviour and trust in Him and Him alone (John 1:12; 6:47).

**Sign of Life #1—A true believer BELIEVES the Word of God (1 John 5:9-12).**

It sounds so very obvious! A true believer believes! If you don’t believe, you are not a true believer! Read 1 John 5:9. This verse compares the witness (testimony) of _______ with the witness (testimony) of _______. We usually receive the testimony of men. This means we usually believe what men tell us. Do men lie most of the time or do men generally tell the truth most of the time? ______________ Even liars tell the truth most of the time because if they lied all the time no one would ever believe them (and liars want people to believe their lies). When a person tells you something, do you usually say, “I don’t believe you. You’re a liar!”? _____ If you heard on the radio that the President was shot, would you believe it? _____ Suppose that your doctor told you that you had cancer. Would you believe him? _____ If your neighbor told you that your car had a flat tire, would you believe him enough to check it out? _____ Do we usually receive the testimony of men (1 John 5:9)? _____ Whose testimony is even greater than that of men (1 John 5:9)? _____ Most of the time men tell the truth, but do they always? _____ According to Titus 1:2 and Hebrews 6:18, why is the testimony of God greater? ______________ If we normally believe what men tell us, how much more should we believe _______________________.

If we take men at their word, how much more should we ___________________________.
When a person does not believe the testimony of God, what does he make God (1 John 5:10)? ________________ But the person who is a true believer is able to say, "Lord, You are a God of ___________ (Deut. 32:4) and the Bible is ___________ (John 17:17) and therefore I know that everything You say in Your Word must be _____________."

The record (testimony, witness) that God gave concerning His Son is found in 1 John 5:11-12. What did God give to us (1 John 5:11)? ________________ ________________ Is eternal life a free gift or is it something we must work for (compare Rom. 6:23)? ________________

Where is this gift found (1 John 5:11)? ________________

According to 1 John 5:12, the person who has the ___________ has ___________ and the person who does not have ________________ does not have ____________.

The person who believes God's testimony concerning His Son is able to say, "Lord, I believe that eternal life is a free G ___________ and this life is found only in Your S ____________, and because I have R ________________ Christ (John 1:12) as my personal Saviour, I now K ________________ (1 John 5:13) that I have eternal _____________."

Some people claim to believe in Jesus, but they have problems believing the Word of God. Their real problem is that of UNBELIEF (read Luke 24:25-27; Matt. 22:29). Let's examine some of their problems:

1) Some might say, "I believe in Jesus but I don't believe the Bible."

But Jesus said that God's Word is ________________ (John 17:17) and the Scriptures cannot be ________________ (John 10:35) and all things that are written in the Scriptures must be ________________ (Luke 24:44) including every jot and every _____________. (Matt. 5:18)! Did Jesus believe the Bible? ________ What these people are really saying is this: "I believe in Jesus but I believe that Jesus was wrong when He said that the Bible is truth." Is it possible for the Son of God to be wrong? ________ Therefore this is what the believer should say, "I believe in Jesus and because I believe in Jesus I also believe ____________ _____________."

2) Some might say, "I believe in Jesus but I don't believe what Paul wrote."

But Paul said, "For this we say unto you by ________ ____________ ____ ________ ____________ (1 Thess. 4:15; compare John 16:12-13). "If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I (Paul) write unto you are the ________________ __________ __________ ____________" (1 Cor. 14:37).
"Now we command you, brethren, in the _________ _______ _______
_________ _________ " (2 Thess. 3:6). Did Peter recognize Paul’s letters as being "scripture" (2 Peter 3:15-16)? ______ Therefore, the believer should say, "I believe in Jesus and I also believe what __________ wrote because Paul was an _____________
of _________ _________ (Galatians 1:1) and his writings are God-breathed (2 Tim. 3:16) just as all the rest of the Bible."

3) Some might say, "I believe in Jesus but I don’t believe in Adam and Eve."

But Jesus said, "Have ye not read that He who made them at the __________ made them _______ and _________" (Matt.19:4; compare Gen. 1:27). Did Jesus believe in the Genesis account of creation?______ Was Jesus an evolutionist or a creationist? ___________ What these people are really saying is this: "I believe in Jesus but I believe that Jesus was wrong when He taught that Adam and Eve were created in the beginning." Should we believe in a God who can be wrong? ______ Our answer is this: "Because I believe in Jesus I also believe ____________________ ."

4) Some might say, "I believe in Jesus but I don’t believe in Moses and I don’t believe what Moses wrote, in fact, I don’t even believe Moses wrote the first 5 books of the Bible."

But Jesus said, "For had ye believed __________, ye would have believed _____; for he (Moses) wrote of _______. But if ye do not believe his writings, how shall ye believe _____ _________ (John 5:46-47)?" Did the Lord Jesus believe that Moses wrote the book of Exodus (compare Mark 12:26 with Exodus 3:6)? _______ Read Matthew 4:4,7,10 and compare this with Deuteronomy 8:3; 6:16; 6:13. To defeat Satan the Lord Jesus quoted three times from what Old Testament book? _____________ Who was the human author of this book (Deut. 1:1)? ___________ Did the Lord consider the books of Moses important and worthy of belief (Luke 24:25-27)? _______ Did the Lord consider the books of Moses as part of the Scriptures (Luke 24:44-45)? _______ Even the psalmist said, "Thy word is _________ from _____ ____________ (Psalm 119:160). Therefore the believer should say, "Because I believe in Jesus, I also believe what __________ wrote."

5) Some might say, "I believe in Jesus but I don’t believe in a universal flood that covered the whole world in the days of Noah."

But Jesus said, "They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that __________ entered into the ______ and the __________ came, and ______________ them all" (Luke 17:27). Did Jesus believe in Noah and the ark and the flood?_______
What these people are really saying is this: "I believe in Jesus, but I believe that Jesus was mistaken when He taught about Noah. Jesus didn’t realize that Noah and the flood is just a story and never really happened." Should we put our faith in a God who can make mistakes? ______ Therefore the believer should say, "Because I believe in Jesus I also believe in a world-wide ____________ that destroyed the world in the days of _____________."

6) Some might say, "I believe in Jesus but I don’t believe Daniel really wrote the book of Daniel."

But Jesus said, "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation (Daniel 9:27) spoken of by ____________ the ____________" (Matthew 24:15). Did Jesus believe that we should read and understand the book of Daniel (Matt. 24:15)? ______ Did Jesus believe that Daniel wrote the book of Daniel? ______ Therefore, the believer should say, "Because I believe in Jesus I also believe that ______________ wrote the book of ______________."

7) Some might say, "I believe in Jesus but I cannot believe that Jonah was really swallowed by a great fish."

But Jesus said, "Jonah was three days and three nights in the ____________ ____________" (Matthew 12:40; compare Jonah 1:17). Therefore, the believer should say, "Because I believe in Jesus I also believe that ______________ was really in the belly of a great fish. Jesus said it! That settles it! And I believe it!"

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A person who is truly saved believes the testimony of God! He believes all of God’s Word including the letters of Paul, the books of Moses, the prophecy of Daniel and the book of Jonah. Are you a Bible believer? Do you believe the Word of God? Do you believe the testimony that God has given concerning His Son (1 John 5:9-12)? "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith."

Sign of Life #2—A true believer has a hunger for the Word of God (1 Peter 2:2).

In 1 Peter 1:23 we learn that a person is ____________ ____________ by the ____________ ____________. In 1 Peter 2:2 we find that the person who has been born-again is likened to a ____________ ____________. What is the one thing that babies yearn for, long for, earnestly desire, and fuss over if they don’t get it? ______________ If a baby has no desire for ______________ then something must be wrong! Healthy babies have a real hunger for ______________. Likewise, what should the born-again believer yearn for and desire (1 Pet. 2:2)? ______________
[The last question was this: “What does a born-again believer yearn for and desire?”—1 Peter 2:2] If a believer has no desire for ________________ then something must be terribly wrong! A healthy believer therefore should have a real hunger for ________________. Is there something wrong with a Christian who never wants to read his Bible? ______ If a believer truly has a hunger for God’s Word, then should he desire to faithfully attend a Bible-teaching church where he can learn more of God’s Word? ______

The person who truly has been born-again should be able to say these things:
(take time to reach each verse)

4. “Lord, open my eyes so that I might behold ______________ things out of Thy law” (Psalm 119:18).
5. “Lord, Thy Word ______________ my eyes (Psalm 19:8) and gives ______________ (Psalm 119:130; compare verse 105 and 2 Peter 1:19) and gives ______________ ” (Psalm 119:130).
7. “Lord, Thy Word is ______________ than all the money in the world!” (Psalm 119:72).
8. “Lord, Thy Word is more to be ______________ than ___________. How precious is Thy Word to me!” (Psalm 19:10)
9. “Lord, Thy Word is ______________ to me than honey and I would rather feed upon Thy Word than enjoy the best food that could ever be prepared for my stomach!” (Psalm 19:10; 119:103).
10. “Lord, truly I have ______________ after Thy Word” (Psalm 119:40, 131).

The Bible is God’s personal love-letter to me and I should read it with that attitude! I should set aside time each day to meet with my God and with my Bible! If I really love the Lord, then I will love to hear Him speak to me! And God speaks to me as I read His precious Word! Do I really love God’s Word? Do I really desire God’s Word more than riches and material things? Do I enjoy reading the Bible and learning truth from the living God? Do I really hunger for the Word of God? Do I really love to go to church to learn more of the Bible? Is Psalm 19:7-11 really true for me?

“Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith.”

Note: If a person meditates on one verse from Psalm 119 each day, then he will be able to go through this precious psalm (the longest chapter in the Bible) twice in a year’s time!
Sign of Life #3—A true believer prays to his Heavenly Father (Romans 8:15-16).

One of the ways a baby expresses life is by crying. The baby cries when he is hungry, when he is hurt, when he is wet, when he is uncomfortable, etc., but the very fact that he cries proves that the baby must be ____________! Do dead babies cry? ____________ Likewise, when a person is born into God’s family (Galatians 3:26), he enjoys a new relationship that he never had before! He now can cry out, “__________ ____________” (Romans 8:15; Gal. 4:6; compare Mark 14:36)! He now has a personal knowledge and relationship with the only ____________ ____________ (John 17:3) and he is able to call Him his ____________ ____________ (Matthew 6:32). He is now able to ____________ ____________ always for ____________ ____________ (Eph. 5:20). Because the child of God has had all of his sins completely cleansed and forgiven (Heb. 10:17), he can ________ ________ to God (Hebrews 10:22) and he can ________ boldly to the ____________ ________ ________, to obtain ________ and to find ________ to help in time of ________ (Hebrews 4:16). When the believer draws near to God, what does God promise to do (James 4:8; compare Zechariah 1:3)? ____________

Prayer is simply talking to the living God! Just as a baby must learn how to talk, so the believer must learn how to ________ to God! We ought to pray as the disciples prayed in Luke 11:1: “Lord, ________ me ___ ________.” A baby learns to talk by talking (even though it may not make much sense at first)! A believer learns how to pray by ________! The more a believer prays, the easier it will become! Would something be wrong with a child who grew up and never learned how to talk? ________ If a person claims to be a child of God and never talks with the Lord, would you think that something was wrong? ________

The early church was a healthy church because the believers continued steadfastly in the teaching of the Apostles, in fellowship, in breaking of bread and ___ ________ (Acts 2:42). How do we know that Daniel was a man of God (Daniel 6:10)? ________ How do we know that David was a man of God (Psalm 55:17)? ________ How do we know that Paul and Silas were men of God (Acts 16:25)? ________

Do you enjoy talking to the Lord throughout the day? Do you spend time in prayer every day? Is the prayer meeting service at the church very important to you? Have you learned to give thanks to God for all things? Do you come to His throne of grace and cast all your care upon Him?

"EXAMINE YOURSELVES, WHETHER YE BE IN THE FAITH."
Sign of Life #4—A true believer loves his brothers and sisters in Christ (1 John 3:14).

The Lord Jesus has told us that the person who is a true believer has passed from _______ unto _______ (John 5:24). How can I know whether or not I have truly passed from _______ unto _______? God’s answer is found in 1 John 3:14: We _______ that we have passed from _______ unto _______ because __________________________________________. The person who does not _______ his brother has not passed from _______ unto _______ because he still abides _____ _______ (1 John 3:14).

There are two things that are true in the life of a person who is a child of the devil (1 John 3:10):
1. He does not live a righteous life.
2. He does not ___________________ _______ _______ ________ ____________

What message has God given to the believer (1 John 3:11)? __________________________ In 1 John 3:12 we learn that Cain (see Genesis 4:1-11) was a child of _______________________ because two things were true in Cain’s life (1 John 3:12):
1. We know that Cain did not live a righteous life because his own works _______ _______
2. We know that Cain did not love his brother because __________________________________

Did Cain hate Abel? _______ This sin of hatred finally led to the horrible sin of murder! Compare Matthew 5:21-22. Everyone who hates his brother is __________________________ (1 John 3:15). What do we know about a murderer (1 Jn. 3:15)? __________________________ __________________________. Why should we lay down our life for the brethren (1 John 3:16)? __________________________

Read 1 John 3:17 and answer true or false:

______ This verse is talking about a person who sees a real need in his brother’s life.  
______ This person is able to meet this need.  
______ This person is willing to meet this need.  
______ This person refuses to meet this need.  
______ The love of God dwells in this person.  
______ This person is probably a true believer.  
______ This person is just like the person described in James 2:15-16.

How does God want us to love (1 Jn. 3:18)? ______________________ As believers in Christ, what should we be doing (1 John 4:7)? __________________________ Why should we be doing this (1 John 4:7)? __________________________
There are two things that are true about the person who really loves (1 John 4:7):

1. He is __________ of _______.
2. He knows _______ (compare John 17:3).

What can we say about the person who does not love (1 John 4:8)? ________________

Is God a God of love (1 Jn. 4:8)? _______ Therefore, if we are to imitate God as beloved children (see Ephesians 5:1), then what will be true of our lives? ____________________________

How do we know that God loved us (1 John 4:9-10)? ____________________________

Did God “so love” us (1 John 4:11; compare John 3:16)? _______ According to 1 John 4:11 why should we love one another? ________________

Why do we love (1 John 4:19)? ________________

If a man says that he loves God but hates his brother, what is he (1 John 4:20)? ________________ If a person hates his visible brother, does he really love the invisible God (1 John 4:20)? _______ The person who truly loves God should also ______ _________ (1 John 4:21). Please read 1 John 2:9-11 also.

In John 13:34 the Lord Jesus, on the night before He died on the cross, gave His disciples a new commandment: “That ye __________ one another; ________________, that ye also love one another.” This means that we should love one another in the same way that ________________ loved us! Ephesians 4:32 teaches us that we are to forgive ______ ________________ in the same way that ________________ forgave us! If Christ could love a rotten sinner like you (see Romans 5:6-8), then can you love your brothers and sisters in Christ? ______ If Christ could forgive you of all ________________ (Col. 2:13), then can you forgive those who wrong you? _______

How is the world going to know that we are true disciples of Christ (John 13:35)?

If a person truly loves his brothers and sisters in Christ, will he desire to assemble together with them in a Bible-teaching church (compare Hebrews 10:25; Acts 2:42)? ______

Did the early church care for one another in love (Acts 2:44-45)? ______

Do you really love the saints? Do you lay down your life for other believers? Do you give of yourself for others? Do you love them in deed and in truth? Do you pray for them? Do you seek to help them in every way possible? Do you assemble together with God’s people as often as possible? Do you love them because Christ loved you?

"EXAMINE YOURSELVES WHETHER YE BE IN THE FAITH."
Sign of Life #5—A true believer obeys the Word of God (1 John 2:3).

The person who has eternal life is the person who _____________ the only true God and ______________________ whom He has sent (John 17:3). How can we know whether or not we really know Christ as our personal Saviour and Lord? According to 1 John 2:3, if a person truly knows Christ what will he do? __________________________________________________________________________

Consider a person who says, “I’m so glad that I know the Lord Jesus as my Saviour” but as you observe his life you notice that he does not seem to live according to the Word of God. What are two things that are probably true about this person (1 John 2:4)?

1. __________________________________________ 2. __________________________________________

The person who keeps and obeys God’s Word is truly the person in whom the ___________ __________ is perfected (brought to maturity) and the obedient believer can know that he is _______ Christ (1 John 2:5). If a person is truly abiding in the Lord Jesus, then how should he walk and live (1 John 2:6)? __________________________________________________________________________

To see how our Lord Jesus walked, read carefully the following verses and match them to the proper statements:

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According to 1 John 5:1-2, a person becomes a child of God (circle the correct answer):

a. by believing that Jesus is the Christ (the Messiah).
b. by loving the brethren
c. by loving God
d. by keeping and obeying God’s commandments

What is the love of God (1 John 5:3)? __________________________________________________________________________

We know that God’s commandments are not _______________ (heavy, burdensome). Is it a heavy burden for us to do what God tells us to do? ______ Does God give us commandments so that He can make life miserable for us? ______ Is it true that we are usually most miserable when we fail to obey the Lord? ______ Did David feel that the commandments of the Lord were grievous (Psalm 19:7-11)? ______ In Deuteronomy 6:24 we learn that God has commanded us to do certain things “for our _______ _________” (compare Deut. 10:13; Jer. 32:39). God wants the very best for us!!

If a person loves Christ, what will he do (John 14:15)? __________________________________________________________________________
The person who truly loves Christ is the person who 1) has His _______________ and 2) ______ (obeys) His commandments (John 14:21). If a person really loves the Lord Jesus then he will ______________(obey) Christ’s _________ (John 14:23). The person who does not love Christ does not __________________________ (John 14:24). Therefore, how can the believer show that he really loves the Saviour?

Should children obey their parents (Col. 3:20)? _____ Should slaves obey their masters (Col. 3:22)? _____ Should wives obey their husbands (1 Pet. 3:5-6)? _____ Therefore as children of God we should walk as _______________ _____________ (1 Pet. 1:14). As love-slaves of God (see 1 Cor. 6:19-20) we should glorify God and ___________ Him in _____ things (compare Col. 3:22). And because the church is the bride of Christ (see Eph. 5:22-23) we should obey _____________ who is the _______ of the ____________ (Eph. 5:23).

According to Galatians 3:1 what is it that we should obey? _____ ____________
What is “the truth” according to Ephesians 1:13 and John 17:17? ____________________________

According to Deuteronomy 11:27; 13:4; 27:10; 28:62; 30:2,8,20 what should we obey? _________________
According to Jeremiah 7:23; 11:4,7; 26:13; 38:20; 42:6 what should we obey? _____________________

Read 1 Samuel 15:1-23. What commandment did the Lord give to Saul (1 Sam. 15:3)? ________________________
Why would the Lord give such a commandment (read Deut. 7:1-6, especially v.4)? ________________________
In what way did Saul disobey this commandment (1 Sam. 15:8-9)? _________________________________
In what way did Saul obey this commandment (1 Sam. 15:8-9)? ____________________________
Did Saul think that he was obedient to the Lord (v.13)? _____ Why did Saul spare the sheep and oxen (v.15)? _________________
Did Samuel think that Saul obeyed the Lord (v.19)? _____ What does the Lord desire above everything else (v.22)? ________________
Is disobedience a serious sin (v.23)? ______ Is it as horrible in the eyes of God as the sins of witchcraft and idolatry? ______
What was it that Saul rejected? ______________________________
Whom did God reject (v.23)? ____________________________
In Matthew 8:27 what was it that obeyed the voice of Christ? 

Who else obeyed His voice (Mark 1:27)? Do dead men obey His voice (John 11:43-44; 1 Thess. 4:16)? Therefore, is God asking too much when He expects His children to serve Him in loving obedience? Do you really love the Lord Jesus? Do you listen to His voice by reading the Bible every day? Do you love to obey His voice? Do you seek to live your life according to the Word of God? Are you willing to do whatever the Lord tells you to do? Do you really believe that God’s commandments are for your good? Are you walking as an obedient child of God?

"EXAMINE YOURSELVES WHETHER YE BE IN THE FAITH."

Sign of Life #6—A true believer will not continue in sin but will live a righteous life (1 John 3:7-8).

The person who is truly born-again will do (practice) 

(1 John 2:29). What are two things that we know about the person who sins (1 John 3:6; the word “sinneth” is in the present tense and means “keeps on sinning, continues in sin”)?

1) 

2) 

The person who truly has been justified (declared to be just as righteous as Christ) does (practices) 

(1 John 3:7). What do we know about the person who keeps on committing sin (1 Jn. 3:8)? Whoever is truly of God does not keep on committing ; ...and he cannot (present tense: “he cannot keep on sinning, he cannot continuously sin”) because he is 

(1 John 3:9). An unsaved person not only hates his brother, but he does not do (practice) 

(1 Jn. 3:10). The born-again person does not 

(1 John 5:18; present tense, “he does not keep on sinning”).

What advice would you give an unsaved person (circle the correct answer)?

a. “You must stop living continuously in sin!” (compare Genesis 19:7)

b. “You need to start living a righteous life!”

c. “You must be born again!” (John 3:7)

If a person truly belongs to the Lord (see 2 Timothy 2:19) he will not only name the name of but he will also (unrighteousness). What do we know about people who keep on doing the things listed in Galatians 5:19-21?
What do we know about the person whose life is characterized by unrighteousness (1 Cor. 6:9-10)?

What is Paul’s answer to this question: “Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?” (Romans 6:1-2) _______ ____________ (literally this means: “let it not be so” or “may it never be”). Shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace (Romans 6:15)? _______ ____________ The natural man (1 Cor. 2:14) thinks this way in his heart: “A saved person should continue living in sin so that everyone will see how gracious and longsuffering God can be towards His wicked children.” Is this the attitude a true believer should have? _______ The spiritual man (1 Cor. 2:15-16) realizes that the grace of God teaches him to deny two things (Titus 2:11-12):

1. __________________________________ Have you been looking up all the verses that are listed on these worksheets? If not, you are only cheating yourself! Let us saturate our minds in God’s truth so that our lives will be changed!
2. __________________________________

And God’s grace teaches him to live three ways:

(Titus 2:12) 1. __________________________________
2. __________________________________
3. __________________________________

Here are some of the ways that God’s grace teaches us how to live:

1. God has graciously forgiven us (Eph. 4:32) and this teaches us that we should ____________ one another!
2. God has graciously loved us (John 13:34) and this teaches us that we should ____________ one another!
3. God has graciously declared us to be just as righteous as His Son (1 John 3:7; compare Rom. 3:24) and this teaches us that we should live a ________________ life (compare 1 Pet. 2:24).
4. God has graciously humbled Himself by becoming a man and even going to the cross (Philippians 2:5-8), and this teaches us that we should humble ourselves and be concerned about the things of ________________ (Phil. 2:4).
5. God has graciously been merciful to us (Rom. 12:1) and this teaches us that we must present our ________________ a ________________ ________________!
6. God has graciously called us unto Himself to be holy (Eph. 4:1), and this teaches us to walk W__________ of the calling to which we have been ________________!

Is your life characterized by right thinking, right acting, right speaking and right living? Have you departed from iniquity? Are you enjoying freedom from the power of sin in your daily life?

“EXAMINE YOURSELVES WHETHER YE BE IN THE FAITH.”