

Caring for New Christians

A Study Course in New

A STUDY COURSE IN NEW BEGINNINGS

Welcome to this course of study. If you are a new Christian, may I say how delighted I am to know that you are now a part of God's family, and to greet you as a brother or a sister in Christ. I believe that God will make the course a great blessing to you. Eight sessions may seem a formidable task to face, but you will get through it by the Grace of God.

This course will help you to learn what Christ wants from his disciples, and then it will help and encourage you to obey. Look upon it as a foundation - laying course for your Christian life. Many commit their lives to Christ, but never become firm and settle in their faith. Others sadly give, up altogether when temptations assail. They make the mistake of never paying attention to their spiritual foundations. You are building a house that you're going to occupy, your own safety and security depends on the foundation.

The course is divided into eight sections one of the main purposes of the course is to teach you to talk to God yourself about the things that He is saying to you, and to learn to listen to his voice.

Memorizing scriptures is a great blessing in the service for God and I would encourage you in this.

It now remains for me to commit you to God and to His word that can build you up in your Christian faith, and make you strong in Christ. God bless you.

Week 1

Salvation

- What is a Christian?
- How then do we become a Christian?
- God's salvation plan
- The old life
- The new life (The big change)
- Why are we saved?
- Burning your bridges
- The realm of the supernatural
- What happens when I am born again?
- How can I be sure I am saved?

Week 2

Sacraments

Water Baptism

- Why should we be baptized?
- Who should be baptized?
- What does baptism do for the believer?

Communion

- Remembrance
- Covenant
- Fellowship
- Hope

Week 3

Baptism in the Holy Spirit

- The Christian life is a supernatural life
- Who is the Holy Spirit?
- What is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?
- How does one receive the Baptism of the Holy-Spirit?
- Speaking in tongues

Week 4

5 Means of spiritual Growth

- The Bible
- Prayer
- Praise and Worship
- Fellowship
- Witness

Week 5 **Learning about the Church**

- A structured church
- Apostles
- Prophets
- Evangelists
- Pastors
- Teachers
- The local church

Week 6 **Life in the Church**

- The church as a body
- The church as a family
- Building up the family of God

Week 7 **Quiet Times**

- Two main parts - prayer + the word
- Bible reading Hints
- Prayer Hints

Week 8 **Church of God**

- Our statement of faith
- The declaration of faith
- The doctrinal commitments
- The practical commitments.