

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions and praying through the issues will help you further meditate upon God's Word in order to see the areas of your life that need change.

1. Why are Christians so quick to defend someone else as being a genuine believer even though their life demonstrates contrary? What are some possible motivations?

2. When someone states that they are a 'Christian' how do you respond? What would be some appropriate follow-up questions for the person who claims to be a believer?

3. Look at John 8:31. Why is continuance in the Word of Christ the test of genuine faith? What does it mean if I don't continue? Does it mean that I lost my salvation? Does it mean that I was never saved in the first place? How does Philippians 1:6 play into this question?

4. What does it mean to "continue" or "abide" in the Word of Christ? Does one "continue" in the Word of Christ by simply reading their Bibles? Or is it something else?

5. What are some additional thoughts and/or application from this morning's lesson? What does this passage teach you about the nature of man and about the nature of God?
