

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

PREFACE:

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE is being used in several African countries to teach Christian living to church leaders. It has been translated into a several African languages. It is also translated into French and Creole, a language of Haiti. Some translations are printed and others are on audio cassette tapes.

The scriptures quoted in this study book are from the ***New International Version***. Occasionally a scripture is quoted from ***The Everyday Bible, New Century Version***. This translation is indicated with the abbreviation [NCV]. ***Today's English Version*** is also quoted and is indicated by the abbreviation of [TEV]. Occasionally certain words in a quote are in **bold letters** to let the student know that these words are of special importance to the subject being studied. In some quotes you will find additional words inside square brackets []. These words have been added by the author of this study book to help the student understand the quote and its significance to the subject being studied.

Living a Christian Life is a topic that is sadly neglected in the preaching and teaching of many churches. In Hebrews chapter six the writer points out that many Christians need to expand their Bible knowledge beyond the basic teachings of doctrine. Many Christians need to grow spiritually so that they can live a holy life. Those who do not seek after a mature holy life often fall back into the world of sin and are eternally lost. Spiritual maturity and holy living are necessary in church leadership. Without it the church will stumble and fall.

It is our prayer that this book will help to bring spiritual maturity and holy living into the leadership of the church. We also pray that the church leaders will use what they have learned to bring spiritual maturity and holy living into the membership of the church. In all things we give the glory to God

In Christian Love,

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