

NOW
What?

I've just become a Christian...

If you have given your life to Christ and invited Him into your heart, then you are a Christian. Jesus called this being "born again." "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again." (John 3:3) Paul said that becoming a Christian is like starting a whole new life. "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" (2 Corinthians 5:17)

But now what?

**For more
Info...**

If you would like more information about these or any other opportunities for spiritual growth and training at Morning Star, please call the church office at 286.2510.



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So now

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What should you do now that you are a Christian? Here are several key things you can do:

1 Matthew 4:4

Read the bible everyday. The bible is God's Word—He is the author. It is the primary way God communicates with us. By reading the bible, you will learn more about Him, what He has done for you and His plan for your life. You will also find comfort during difficult times and answers for your problems. We should read the bible in order to live and grow as Christians. A good place to start reading is the biographies of Jesus, called the gospels. They are the first four books of the New Testament. We recommend reading a modern translation of the bible, such as the New International Version (NIV).

2 Psalm 116:1-2

Spend time praying. Prayer is just talking to God. A simple formula to follow when praying is "A.C.T.S."—adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication. When praying, make sure to praise God for who He is, to honestly confess your sins to Him, to thank Him for what He's done for you and to ask Him for what you need. Be open during prayer for God to speak to you about what He may want you to be doing or changing in your life.

3 Acts 2:42-47, John 13:35

Stay in fellowship. This means to maintain close relationships with other Christians. At Morning Star, believers stay in fellowship by regularly attending one of our weekend services and by joining one of our small groups or classes. As a new Christian, you may want to consider joining our "Getting to know Morning Star" class that is offered every few months. All of our groups are great for new believers—to help get you off to a good start as a Christian. They are modeled after Jesus and his twelve disciples. Not only did Jesus teach his disciples, but He also spent time in relationship with them, showing them how to live for God. Different groups are running at many different times, so call the church office to find out about the one that is right for you and your schedule.

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1 Peter 3:15, Philemon 6,
2 Corinthians 5:20

Share Jesus with others. As a Christian, you are called to be a witness for Christ. This means you are to tell others what the Lord has done for you. It is not necessary to be a bible scholar or to have all the answers. Sharing your "testimony" (the story of your journey toward Christ) is one of the most effective ways of helping others find Him. There are benefits in it for you as well. Sharing your faith forces you to discover what you really believe and why, and it enables you to participate with the Lord in His plan for the world. If you would like to talk to someone personally about your story before going out and sharing it with others, we would love to listen and help you work through your testimony. Don't hesitate to call our offices to set up an appointment to talk things through!