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**Bible Study #3 Restoring the Fallen**

**A Two Lesson Bible Study to help restore the fallen**

There are many Christians who have wandered away from the Lord. Unfaithful members of the Lord’s church will be saved if they are restored. They will lose their souls in Hell if they are not restored.  James 5:19-20 says, "Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins."  When one is restored, a soul is saved from an eternal death in Hell and his many sins will be forgiven.  When a sinner is restored, the angels rejoice. Jesus says, "Likewise I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents" (Luke 15:10).

Our concern for the fallen demonstrates our love, faith, and courage.  "Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in the spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted" (Galatians 6:1).  If we are spiritual, we will do our best to restore those who have fallen away.  The Lord does not want anyone to be lost.  He is "…not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).  He has already paid the price for our sins by taking our punishment.  He is eager and ready for our return to him and the church. In order to return, one must repent.  We can help the fallen see their need to repent and help them return to the Lord.

These lessons can be used to help restore erring Christians.  Begin with Lesson #1 *Be Faithful Until Death.* If you are not successful in restoring the erring Christian, then go to Lesson #2 *Let's Not Neglect Our Great Salvation*.  The teacher, the silent partner, and the erring Christian should each have a copy of the lesson and each should mark questions as you go through the lesson.  Also, have the erring Christian read each of the scriptures aloud, if he will.

**Lesson #1 Be Faithful Until Death**

**Lesson #2 Let's Not Neglect Our Great Salvation**

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