How Shall We Then Live

A Course for People Who Want to Walk with God

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Assignments to Accompany the Teachings

For Home Groups or Mentoring Relationships

First Series: THE BASICS (Learning to Connect with God)

THE BASICS Teaching #2: THE QUEST

Food for the Backpack:

Matthew 7:13-14,24-29 -- How to build a life so it won't self-destruct

I Timothy 1:1-7 -- The pattern

Galatians 5:6 -- The pattern, in brief

I John 3:11-24 --Loving. And believing

I John 5:1-5 -- Overcoming by believing and loving

John 6:28-29 -- The necessity of faith

John 13:34-35 -- The necessity of love

Heart-prodders

Q.: Divorce, crime, addiction, suicide, poor health: just a few symptoms of the brokenness of life all around us. Behind the statistics lies a great deal of human pain. How have these patterns affected you? Do you believe that God could help you find your way to "life more abundant?" (See John 10:10.)

Q.: There is a timing issue. Is it the right time for you to set your foot on this quest—finding the abundant life of Jesus by following His pattern of "faith working through love?"

Q.: It's like boarding a train. Confront your doubts, your fears. Are there legitimate reasons why you would prefer to play it safe, and not get on board?

<u>Assignment</u>

Address these questions, doubts and concerns in writing in a prayer journal. (For now, this could be a simple Steno Notebook or other blank book of some kind. We will teach about prayer journaling soon.) Discuss these questions and doubts openly in your group, as others discuss theirs.