

When The Saints Go Marching Back (Backslidden Believers)

Proverbs 14:14

*“The backslider in heart will have his fill of his own ways,
But a good man will be satisfied with his.”*

Notice these words:

“Backslidden”

“In Heart”

“Will have his fill of his own ways”

“But a good man”

“Will be satisfied with his”

I There are Four Kinds of Backslidden Christians:

- 1. The Saved, But Just _____ Backslidden Believer***
- 2. The Going Through the _____ Backslidden Believer***
- 3. The Living in Open _____ Backslidden Believer***
- 4. The “In _____” Backslidden Believer***

II Characteristics of a Backslidden Believer

- 1. Church Becomes a _____***
- 2. The Bible You _____***

3. ***Your Attitude Goes Out The _____***
4. ***Your Prayers Don't Leave The _____***
5. ***Sin Doesn't Seem Serious _____***
6. ***Dealing With the Devil No Longer Seems Like a _____***
7. ***What Comes Out Of Your Mouth is Spiritually _____***
8. ***Doing God's Will Becomes A _____***
9. ***You Experience Problems _____***

III The Backslidden Believer Test

1. ***Does the Bible have the same Priority in your Life Today as it did when you first Became a Christian? Yes _____ No _____***
2. ***Are you Aware of the Continual Presence of the Lord in your Daily Routine? Yes _____ No _____***
3. ***Is Prayer a Priority in your Daily Schedule? Yes _____ No _____***
4. ***Are your Relying on What you Learned in the Past About God Instead of Discovering New Things from God's Word Everyday? Yes _____ No _____***
5. ***Are you a Threat to Satan? Yes _____ No _____***
6. ***Is Church and Worship Boring? Yes _____ No _____***
7. ***Have you Gotten Over Getting Saved? Yes _____ No _____***
8. ***Do you Dwell on the Negative More than you do about what God has done and is doing? Yes _____ No _____***

9. ***Are you Primarily Concerned with your Needs and your Feelings Rather than Others? Yes_____ No_____***
10. ***Is your Speech Reflective of one who is Walking with God? Yes_____ No_____***
11. ***Have you Lost the Power of God in your Life? Yes_____ No_____***
12. ***Are you as Bothered by Sin as you were when you First Got Saved? Yes_____ No_____***
13. ***Are you Passionate about Sharing your Faith and Testimony with the Lost? Yes_____ No_____***