

Partners Program
Leaders Guide – Chapter 1

“Being Sure About Your Relationship with God”

Lesson Summary

- What is a Christian?
- How do I become a Christian?
- How do I know I am a Christian?

Leader Suggestions

1. Make sure they have done their homework including memory verse from current week and previous weeks.
2. Ask what memory verse means and why it is relevant to this lesson.
3. Ask how their homework went.
4. Ask them why this is such an important lesson. We want to make sure the person is a genuine believer who understands and communicate the gospel.
5. Start with a focus on the gospel information. See if the person can explain the gospel in their own words. Push for definitions of Christian clichés (i.e. walked the aisle).
6. Better to over explain than to assume.
7. Stress the biblical appeal for salvation ("God has a wonderful plan for your life vs. Righteousness").
8. Discuss the modern neglect of repentance.
9. Make sure the equation illustration is understood

Gospel + Response = Salvation + Works
10. Discuss what the evidence of Christianity looks like (fellowship with God's people, read the Word).
11. Don't be afraid to extend chapter 1 over several weeks.