Saved, Now What?

After making the most important decision in your life to be saved and give your life to Jesus, your true life starts. Some Christians have it confused, thinking once they are saved they don't have to do anything else. You have a place in Heaven, but God didn't save you just for that. Below are some of the things you should do to continue walking in your new identity after being saved. This is not striving, because we as Christians are supposed to do these things.

Baptism
After someone was saved in the NT, they always had a time they were baptized as a public display of their faith. You ***will*** be filled with the Holy Spirit and ***will*** speak in your new prayer tongue. When, depends on the person and their faith, but it will be there. Note the tongue was already in you, but this act will "activate" it, but you still need to open your mouth and let your voice be used.

Examples:

- All baptized by John
- Philip and the eunuch (Acts 8:26-40)
- The 3,000 converted at Pentecost after Peter's speech (Acts 2:37-41)

Make Time for God (aside from Sunday) John 15:1-17
Communing with other Christians is fine and a better time on your Sunday than just staying at home or going to something worldly. However, you must make time for God during your week aside from Sunday morning.

- Coming to our group during the day or night is recommended if you don't have a physical church. Think of it like this, if you need God for your spiritual hunger and only get Him once a week, you're going to feel empty or dry during the week.
- Praying in your prayer tongue during the week. Your flesh or your mind may think nothing is happening at the moment, but this is strengthening your spirit and keeping it talking to God.

- Staying in the Word - Again, feeding your spirit instead of your flesh to remain strong.

Keep Avoiding Sin and Temptation
We don't live in a perfect world. Even after being saved, the things of this world will tempt the flesh. Fasting, taking a second to think if something is Godly before opening or viewing it, and replacing some of your time in focusing on God will help reduce the chances of your flesh being exposed to temptation.

Using Your Spiritual Gifts to Minister and Witness
Eventually, the Holy Spirit will reveal to you the gifts God has given in order for you to minister to others and serve. We are all called to witness, but how we do it and the type of people we reach will be unique to every person.

Romans 12:6-8 lists them out: prophecy, healing, teaching, service, giving, encouragement (exaltation), leadership, and mercy.

This is not to be confused with the nine gifts of the Holy Spirit that every believer already has (1 Corinthians 12:8-10). Also, the revelation of the office you would do well in serving in Ephesians 4:11-16 (apostle, teacher, prophet, pastor, evangelist) will eventually be revealed to you. Again, the revelation will be unique to each person, and will only come by staying connected to Christ.

Once we are saved, we are called to minister to others and begin our relationship with God. It is the least we can do with all the hours we have in the day and after how much He has sacrificed for us.