

#8 And have not Christ

away from all that he had believed, but really he belongs to Christ. He really has been saved and is truly one of Christ's people. What shall I say? If this is true he will come back. God may bring him back at almost any time. I do not know when or how. He may bring him back in the very last instant of his life on earth. I do not know and will not know even after he has ~~not~~ died whether he was saved or not, but God knew and I believe that he himself could know. I believe he has a right to know. I think he had a right to turn to Christ and say, I receive Him as my saviour and my Lord, my sinbearer, I desire to follow him as He leads and I put my entire trust in him, not in ^{anything} ~~anything~~ I have done or can do but in what He is and I know that He will work in me in accordance with His will. He has a right to do this, and if He falls away he will deeply regret it. He will regret it through all eternity. He may be saved as by fire but he will be saved if he has truly believed in Christ. We can know whether we belong to Christ or not. We ~~can~~ can know whether we are His, but we cannot tell about others.