

to salvation, never to be regretted."

Ah no, there are no regrets when this takes place in the heart of the hearer.

But sometimes the hearers are very superficial in their response to the word. There is no reality. They seem to go on for a while quite happily.

However when trials come their way or persecution they fall away.



"Christianity," for them is all right if life runs smoothly. But the Lord Jesus has not promised us an easy life. "In the world ye have tribulation." Christians are not exempt from the sorrows, sicknesses and cares that come upon mankind.

Not only are there those things, but the Lord said, "If the world hate you, know that it has hated Me before you." We have to suffer the opposition and hatred of the world, too.

Trials test the reality of the hearers heart.