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LESSON 07: INWARD CALL

Memory work

How does God bring about the conversion of the elect?

God takes care that the gospel is preached to them,
and powerfully enlightens their minds by the Holy Spirit.
By the effective working of the same Spirit
He also penetrates our deepest insides.

How are these two processes referred to?

The former is the outward call, the latter is the inward call.

What is the inward call?

A heartfelt desire to serve God.

Homework

1.(3) Sometimes this "inward call" is referred to as "seeing the light" or "receiving a special revelation from God." How might one test whether a person's message is indeed a message from God?

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2.(4) Have you 'heard' or 'felt' the inward call yourself? _____

What do you think of it? _____

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3.(3) Some consider the Canadian Reformed folks too 'easy-going' (say too quickly that they are saved) as they focus too much on the Word and not enough on the Holy Spirit. What are your thoughts on this, your impressions about this? Is "being a believer" in the CanRC simply about "agreeing with the mind the Gospel is true"? Is there enough emphasis on "believing with the heart that God has saved me"?

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