

## Is Anything Forever?

Bob was excited that camp was about to start! His favorite thing was at the end of lunch each day, every camp year they offered “all-you-can-eat” watermelon! He loved sweet, ripe watermelon day after day. When he finished all of his lunch he eagerly awaited his anticipated treat. Then, a counselor stood up and made a startling announcement. “We have decided to longer have watermelon here at camp!” Bob slumped back in his chair as disappointment filled his thoughts. He had wanted the watermelon so much and now there was none to eat.



Life is kind of like that. There are many things we enjoy for awhile, but eventually they change.

**Circle any of the following things that you are 100% sure will**

**never change:** Friendships    Circumstances    Grades    Jobs  
Family Life

## Search It!



The things we have in this world will not last forever. The Bible tells us that God cannot change. His promises are true. The most important fact to know for certain is that you are 100% sure that you are saved. It is easy to feel uncertain or confused about things sometimes, but God does not want you to be worried about if you can lose your salvation. To be “assured” means that you are convinced something is true or cannot change. When someone struggles with doubting salvation, it is called “needing assurance.”

**How sure are you, honestly, that you are saved?**

A. 99%    B. 50%    C. 0%    D. 100%

**What does 1 John 5:13 say that you may know that you have?**

A. Obedience    B. Eternal life    C. An excuse to sin    D. A headache

The Bible shows us that we are secure in Christ Jesus from the minute we get

saved (Romans 8). Being secure is different than being assured in our own earthly minds. Being secure is something we can believe, even when we do not necessarily feel like we are saved. Feelings can change, just like things and people do.

**What is it that seals us and lives inside of us when we trust Jesus as our Savior (Ephesians 4:30)?**

- A. Conscience
- B. Spirit of God
- C. Glue
- D. Feelings

When you question or doubt whether you have accepted Christ as Savior, You can remember God's promises to you! Just because a person doubts if they are saved does NOT mean that they don't know Jesus as their Savior. Right now, you can choose a verse from the Bible to claim during those times. Read Romans 10:13. Another verse, John 10:28 can be a reminder to you that once you are saved, nothing can separate you from God! God holds you in His hand. You are secure in HIM, based upon God's Word!

**If you doubt you are saved, you never really knew Jesus as your Savior.**

True      False

**You should choose a verse to claim to help you if or when you doubt.**

True      False

Some people just repeat a prayer to be saved because they feel pressured to do so, or they pray without understanding what salvation is. The words you pray are not important, but what matters is that you honestly believe and accept

what Jesus did for you in your heart. Some doubt their Salvation because they have sinned against God, and the Holy Spirit convicts them so that they will want to get close to God again.

**1 John 1:9 is written to believers. What does this verse say you should do if you sin after getting saved?**

- A. Do good stuff to make up for the sin.
- B. Confess the sin to God
- C. Beg God for forgiveness over and over again
- D. Pretend you never did the sin.

**Read John 3:16. Who can receive everlasting life?**

- A. Nobody
- B. Those that do good
- C. Whosoever (anyone)

If you were to come to camp, and Bob were to give you a gift, all you would have to do is reach out and take it. The gift was free for you to take, but it costs someone else.

John 3:16 says that God gave His only begotten Son. God's gift cost Jesus His life, but because He died & came back to life, He can give salvation freely to you. He paid the debt you owed for your sin.



**Read Ephesians 2:8-9. Just like you did not have to earn salvation to receive it originally, nothing you do can take it away! What does this verse say salvation is NOT given because of?**

A. Believing in Jesus

B. Works (Good things you do)

C. Obedience some of the Ten Commandments

\*\*\*God has made trusting Him as Savior very simple. People try to add to what God says and make it harder to believe. Just believe the Bible and trust that God's promises will not change.

**Draw a picture in the space below that illustrates Jesus' death and resurrection.**