

1 John: How do I know I'm saved? (Week 6)

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Discussion and Questions:

Any comments about the journal to begin?

Read 1 John 5:1-5 together.

1. Why do you think it is important for someone to know they are saved or is there supposed to be a little bit of doubt?
2. Has anyone here ever been through a patch of being unsure about their salvation? Share with the group how you overcame it and the difference it has made to your walk with God.
3. 1 John 5:11-12 is a common passage that helps reassure people that they belong to God. Can you think of others? (Try John 10:28, Ephesians 1:13-14 and Philippians 1:6 if you are stuck)
4. Craig said there are two ways from 1 John 5 we can know we are saved. The first one is loving other Christians sacrificially, no matter how weird. What are some practical ways we could demonstrate this?
5. The second evidence is that we are obedient to God's commands (see verses 1-3). Isn't our relationship with God supposed to be based on grace and not "doing good works"? Explain your answer.
6. Verses 13-15 provide for us two results of being a Christian. We can know we have eternal life and God listens to and acts on our prayers. There are probably times when we have all failed to pray. Does that mean God remains inactive and distant? What part can other people's prayer play for us?

Finish now by praying on behalf of each other. Ask God to provide us with opportunities to be obedient and show love.

Upcoming dates

1. Camp Survivor – Monday October 2nd – Friday October 6th
2. Chazown – Saturday October 28th