

Summer Kid's Club Celebration - I Can Have Confidence

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Definitions of Confidence:

- The feeling or belief that one can rely on someone; firm trust.
- The state of feeling certain about the truth of something.
- A feeling of self-assurance arising from one's appreciation of one's own abilities or qualities.

Simple version of Confidence - Do you have Trust in:

1. ____?

2. ____?

3. ____?

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

—John 10:11

The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

—John 10:3-4

The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

—John 10:12-13

What we can conclude here is that the hired hand is not a ____ Shepherd.

- The **Someone** in this passage is the ____.
- The **Something** is the ____.
- The **Yourself** is the ____.

If we can't have confidence someone, something, or ourselves: Who can we have confidence in? ____!

I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep.

—John 10:14-15

Having confidence in Jesus is firm, solid, eternal. He ____.

Jesus, the good shepherd, does not only care for His sheep.

He looks for others to bring into His ____.

I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

—John 10:16

Jesus intentionally sought out each person, came to them, and offered them ____ and ____.

Therefore Jesus said again, 'Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.

I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved.

They will come in and go out, and find pasture.'

—John 10:7 & 9

While you can have some confidence in someone, something, or yourself: they all ultimately will ____ compared to the confidence you can have in Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd.

You can invite Jesus into your heart:

- ____ you're a sinner.
- ____ Jesus is the Son of God and that He died for you.
- ____ to ____ your life to Him.

*But blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,
whose confidence is in him.*

—Jeremiah 17:7

Reflection Questions:

- 1. In what areas of your life are you the least confident?**
- 2. In what practical ways can you become more confident in Jesus?**
- 3. How can you become more confident in sharing the good news of the gospel?**

Would you like to be baptized tonight? ***Join us following service in the Life Center.***

