

Junior Year Three Eternal Security



Lesson

12

REVIEW LAST WEEK'S LESSON

Last week, we learned that the Bible says there is only one faith: belief in the Lord Jesus Christ's death, burial, and resurrection as full and final payment for our sins. Now we will study how placing our faith in the Lord Jesus assures us we will never lose the salvation we have been given.

MEMORY VERSE AND REVIEW GAME

"Who hath sealed us, and given
the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts."

2 Corinthians 1:22

"Motion Memory"

Repeat the verse with the class, using the following motions:

Who — point to God in Heaven; sealed — twist hands like sealing a jar; given — hold both hands out as if giving a gift; earnest — count out imaginary money for a down payment; spirit — using finger, write "S" in the air; hearts — hold hand over heart.

Jump-Start Questions

Can you lose your salvation?
How long is an "eternal life"?
What happens if a believer commits a terrible sin?

TEACHER'S GUIDE

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• Theme

Once a person places their trust in the finished work of Jesus Christ, they can never lose their salvation.

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- **Saved in the Present**
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Review Activities and Preview

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Take Home Sheet

Visual Aids

J3-L12-S1 and J3-L12-S2
J3-L12-1 through J3-L12-4
J3-L12-Song

Supplies

Standard supplies
Take Home Sheet J3-L12
1 envelope, 1 note card
Spool of yarn or string

Object Lesson “Sealed”

Show the students the note card with “ME” written on it. Explain that this note card represents each individual — you and me. Holding up the envelope, explain that this represents the Body of Christ, which we are sealed into at the moment of salvation. Place the note card into the envelope and seal it. Explain that in order to get that note card out, you’d now have to rip open the envelope, but the Holy Spirit is our seal and cannot be ripped open. We are sealed into the Body of Christ and cannot lose our salvation, no matter what.

CROSSING THE FINISH LINE

Summary

There are a lot of people like worried Will. Even though they believe the Lord Jesus died for them, they are afraid they might do something to lose their salvation. Our salvation is a free gift from God, not a reward for our good behavior (Titus 3:5). So, nothing we do can change our salvation. If we don’t feel saved, we must remember, it is God’s Word which is true. Our salvation in no way depends upon our “feelings,” those feelings can change from day to day and can be very wrong. Joyful Jill has the right attitude. She realizes the Lord did everything necessary to save us and to keep us saved until He comes for us at the Rapture. All our sins (even the future ones) have been already forgiven.

Gospel Presentation

The Lord Jesus Christ did everything necessary to save you and keep you saved when He shed His blood on the cross. Once you have faith in His finished work on the cross, you never again have to worry about your salvation. **Salvation is**

an act of God, and He will never change His mind. You are saved and secure for eternity. The Holy Spirit places a “seal” upon you until the day you are called to Heaven.

Application and Encouragement

You can never, ever, lose your salvation. Your salvation is based upon God’s faithfulness to His Word, not upon your actions. God has sorrow over your sins, but He does not get angry with you because of sin. He always is working in your life to bring you closer to Him. You do not need to have any worry about your salvation, it is securely held in His hands. Knowing this should make each of us want to please God in all we think and do. You can be encouraged that His love and grace for you never change; this provides a deep joy and confidence in the Lord’s care for His dear children.

REVIEW ACTIVITIES AND PREVIEW

Review Question Game* “The Tie That Binds”

Start with teacher holding spool of yarn or string, and ask the first question. Holding onto the end of the string/yarn, toss the whole spool to the first student to answer the question correctly, and ask second question. First student holds onto their spot of the yarn, and tosses spool to next student. By the end, many of the students in the class will be randomly connected by all holding the string/yarn in different spots. This is a bit like the Body of Christ being tied together.

**Attention teachers: The review questions are on the student’s take home sheet.*

Preview Next Week’s Lesson

Wow! I’m so excited that God provided a way of salvation, and made sure we’d never lose it! I wonder what else He has in store for us! Next time, we’ll talk about where we stand in God’s eyes.