
Resources

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1 John 5:13-17 (ESV)

"I have written these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. This is the confidence we have before him: If we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears whatever we ask, we know that we have what we have asked of him. If anyone sees a fellow believer committing a sin that doesn't lead to death, he should ask, and God will give life to him — to those who commit sin that doesn't lead to death. There is sin that leads to death. I am not saying he should pray about that. All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin that doesn't lead to death.

Hebrews 5:7-9 - *During his earthly life, he offered prayers and appeals with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was the Son, he learned obedience from what he suffered. After he was perfected, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him...*

Sermon Outline

- I. We know we have eternal life
- II. We know God answers our prayers

Life Group Leader Notes:



Group Discussion Questions

After listening to the sermon, do you still have any doubts that your salvation is eternally secure? Why or why not?

Have you ever had a conversation with someone about the unforgivable sin? Why was it being asked and how did you reply?

Why does our culture want to accept the part of scripture that says we can ask whatever we want from God and he hears us, but often overlooks the necessity of asking according to God's will?

According to Hebrews 5:7-9, Jesus prayed fervently to the Father to be saved from death and was heard, yet the answer was no. Jesus had to suffer and die, and he submitted to the Father's ultimate will. Who in your group today could benefit from this clear picture of willing submission?

This passage in Hebrews also explains how Jesus (in his humanity) was made perfect in suffering? How does this apply to us today?

De-converts (those who once professed faith in Christ and later reject the faith) are popular today. As your group what your response to a person tempted by this message of rejection would be. (Try to get to the heart of the reply be encouraging a response rooted in love, restoration, but in accordance with the biblical prescription for Church discipline).

