



ON BELAY

Peak 1: Jesus saves and no one can take you from Him

Peak: 1 | Lesson: 1 | Grades: 1-5

Notes: We strongly encourage you to split your class time between community building activities and lesson reinforcement. Feel free to use your own resources!

SECTION VERSE

1 JOHN 5:11-12

"Here is God's witness. He has given us eternal life. That life is found in his Son. Those who belong to the Son have life. Those who do not belong to the Son of God do not have life."

LESSON VERSE

JOHN 10:28

"I give them eternal life, and they will never die. No one can steal them out of my hand."



• When we are in God's hands no one is strong enough to take us away from Him.

PRAYER

If you have trusted Jesus as your Savior then give God thanks for saving you and forgiving you.

Praise Him that He is so powerful that no one can separate you from his love.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What do you think eternal life means?
- Who gives eternal life?
- ★ Where is eternal life found?
- ★ Who has eternal life?
- ❖ Who does not have eternal life?
- ❖ Do you believe in life after we die? why/why not?

LIVE IT OUT!

- Practice your memory verse, 1 John 5:11-12
- Search the Bible for another verse that tells you of
- God's unfailing love and share it with your group next week.
- Pray together.



PARENT DEVOTIONAL

NO ONE CAN SNATCH THEM OUT OF MY FATHER'S HAND.

-John 10:29b

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Daddy's Got You

To live a truly eternal life, eternal both in quality (in God's eternal presence and with His eternal purpose) and in duration (we will never perish), we must understand and place our confidence in God's assurances to us. An assurance is God's pledge, His guarantee for His children born of the Spirit through Christ. While there are experiential or subjective ways for us to get a clue as to our salvation and place in God's family, our love for the church and the things of God (1 John 2:15, 3:14), and the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) among them, it is only God's "testimony," His solemn declaration through His Word, that stands as our objective proof of the assurance we have that, when we have believed and received His gift of eternal life through Christ Jesus, we are secure in his hands.

Why is it so important to know we are firmly held in the Father's hands? From our childhood most of us can remember hearing these words, "Come on, Daddy's got you." If you are like me you probably associate those words with an experience like standing on the edge of a swimming pool that seemed like a bottomless sea or sitting at the top of a slide that seemed like Mount Everest. As we looked down at those outstretched arms we did some very quick calculations. What has my experience been with this person up to now? Can I trust him? If our father was a trustworthy and loving father who had shown himself to have powerful arms (at least compared to ourselves) capable of catching us, we most likely took a deep breath and jumped. Experience shows us that over time our confidence level in this person grows and makes each subsequent jump easier until finally we are flinging ourselves, carefree into his arms. When Jesus says of the Father, "My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand," He is saying, "This is my Father and, through me, your Father as well and He won't let you fall. Jump. Daddy's got you." All of our other assurances in God are built upon this cornerstone. Confidence in God's faithfulness begins here.



MEDITATING ON THE WORD

John 10:28-30

1 John 5:11-12

Psalms 145:13

Hebrews 10:23

Psalms 18:2, 62:2, 6-7