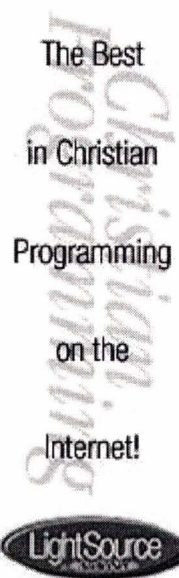


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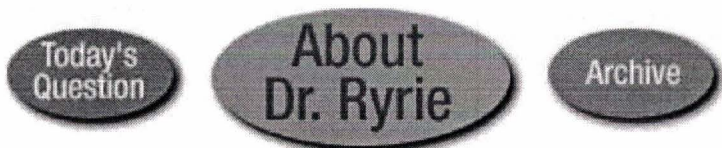


Monday, December 29, 1997

Subject: Is speaking in tongues evidence of salvation?

Dear Dr. Ryrie: Is speaking in tongues evidence of being saved? --Emma C.

Dear Emma: No, speaking in tongues is not necessarily evidence of being saved. For one thing, there are well-documented cases of non-Christians in various countries around the world who speak in tongues--but they are not saved. For another, not all Christians speak in tongues, but they are nevertheless born again. Notice 1 Corinthians 12:13, which says that all those Corinthian believers had been put in the body of Christ and yet not all of them spoke in tongues (v. 30). So tongues are not conclusive evidence of being saved.



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