

How can I know if I am truly saved?

First I would ask you if you have ever received Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. I am not asking if you are religious, read the Bible, go to church, been baptized, but if in your own heart you have ever asked the Lord Jesus to save you from the guilt of your sins. If you should die now what or whom are you trusting to take you to heaven. Now if you have trusted Christ, then I want to remind you that He said that He would never cast out those who come to Him (John 6:37). Does God ever lie? No, so if you have come to Him He promises to keep you and present you in heaven some day.

Is there any other thing that would help this young person to know that he is saved?

Yes, I would like to ask him if he is experiencing any of the things that belong only to the Christian.

What kind of things?

Things like answered prayer. I'm not asking if God has answered all of your prayers, but have you had some prayers answered since you thought you accepted Christ. Or does the Bible begin to make more sense to you? Or have you found new interests and have you noticed old habits and problems going away? These new experiences could not be pereset in your life unless you had the new life that Christ gives. You will never be perfect in this life, but if you are Christ's then old things have passed away and new things have come, and you can be sure this is because you ~~xxxxxx~~ are saved.

What did Christ ^{in the Communion service} mean when He said, This is my body?

Some think He meant that the bread in the Lord's Supper was and is changed today into Christ's body. Others think He meant this represents my body.

Which do you think is correct?

When Christ said This is my body, ~~He~~ of course He was sitting at the table with His disciples, and His body actually spoke those words. His ~~body~~ actual body was right there reclining at the table with the disciples; it obviously was not the bread. So I think there is no question but that He was saying that the bread in the Lord's Supper represented His body.

In other words, you think He was using a figure of speech?

Yes, and of course that was not the only occasion when He did so. ~~Qxx~~ Another time He said, I am the door. He did not mean that suddenly He had become a door, but that He represented the door. Likewise the bread in the communion service represents ~~the~~ His body and the cup His blood.