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Do you know what will happen to you in the future? Where will you live when you're grown up? What kind of job will you have? Will you be married? Will you have children? No one really knows the answer to these questions. It's hard for us to know what will happen in the future.

But God says there is one thing about the future you can know with absolute certainty. This verse is in the Bible so that **"you may know that you have eternal life."** God doesn't want you to be afraid about the future. He wants you to trust in him, that he will always take care of you and that he will be with you forever. God wants you to know that you are going to heaven. It's a promise from God. And God always keeps his promises.

Does God make this promise to everyone? No. Will everyone go to heaven? No. This promise is for those who **"believe in the name of the Son of God."** God's promise of eternal life is for those who are trusting in Jesus. The Bible tells us that all of us have sinned against God and deserve to be punished. But Jesus came to take our punishment by dying on the cross. If we trust in Jesus and ask for forgiveness, God promises to forgive all our sins and to give us the gift of eternal life.

Do you know what will happen to you in the future? Do you know that you have eternal life? If you're not sure, talk to your mom or dad. Ask them any questions you might have about the gospel. Ask them to pray for you, that God will help you to believe in Jesus and help you to know that you are saved.