

Illustration: **Gift Illustration**  
Discussion: **Salvation is a gift**  
Scripture: **Ephesians 2:8-9**  
YOU WILL NEED: *A pencil or pen.*

## Gift Illustration

### Choose 1 volunteer—

Let's say this pen is worth a million dollars and I come to you one day and say, "Johnny, I'd like to give this to you." Is it yours yet? What would you have to do to get it? *(If they don't immediately say, "I have to reach out and take it," guide them toward that answer.)*

### **Read Ephesians 2:8-9**

Like a gift, you can accept it, or you can say no. A gift can't be earned, just like heaven—you can't be good enough to get to heaven. There is only one way to heaven and that's Jesus.

*Now with the pen, it would be easy for you to take it. All you have to do is reach out and it's yours. With God's gift, it's a little different—You can't physically reach out and take it, but in the Bible God told us how we can accept this gift. You see, Jesus paid the price; what we have to do is:*

- (1) **A**dmit you have sinned and be willing to turn from your sin.
- (2) **B**elieve that Jesus is God's Son who died and was raised from the dead.
- (3) **C**all on the Lord, **c**onfess your sins, and **c**ommit your life to Him.

**Explain Romans 10:9,13**  
and share your salvation testimony.