

Hello, my name is JT Amberg and I am a sophomore at Eden Prairie High School. I like fishing, biking, skiing, and playing video games. Let me start with a prayer, Thank you God for letting me spend time and getting to know my church friends. I pray that we all remain friends and stay that way as we turn into adults.

I am still unsure about god but I am still working on my belief in god. There have been many times in my life where I have doubted the existence of God. I hope that my journey in faith will result in more answers about the existence of God. God claimed me in my baptism on February 11, 2006. Today I am saying yes to my baptism from God.

I think that it is better to do good things and be a good person compared to just showing up to church and thinking you're a good person. I believe Jesus set a good example by his actions through helping everyone no matter who they were through love and compassion. My relationship with Jesus has affected my relationships with friends and family because it has made me feel the need to be nicer to people. It makes me feel the need to do more things for people and help out with things if needed. The presence of God has made a difference in my life at school church and with family by making me want to help others.

Some things that have helped me in some tough times in my life are friends, family, and music. They help me just by being there for me when I need them and music would just take me to my own world of peace and quiet. I remember when I was little and every night, before going to bed, I would pray for people and if there was anyone who needed extra help we would give them extra prayers. I have chosen two verses that have been helpful in my life. One is Jeremiah 29:11 which reads, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." My second verse is James 1:12 which reads, "Blesses is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the lord has promised to those who love him."

Once I am confirmed, I will stay close with friends from church by talking and keeping in touch with them. I will stay close with the people of my church by going to church often on sundays. I will continue to attend church and have communion. I intend to spread god's love through good words and actions. I will continue to do my own mission projects and serve others by doing service work

for the poor and homeless. I intend to work for peace and justice in my home, school, and world.

The bible verse I have chosen was John 3:16 which reads, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." I have chosen this verse because it stands out to me. It stands out to me because as long as we believe in God and are followers of God, we may have eternal life. This gives me the strength to live for Jesus.

For my expression of faith, I made a cross out of baseballs and a baseball bat. I also have a photo of my dog rascal because he means a lot to me and a photo of me watching the grinch movie with my two nephews Caileb and Kai.

Let me end in a prayer, Dear God, I pray that my faith continues to grow with you as I get older and that you keep watching over me and protect me. Amen.