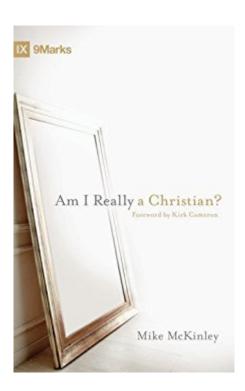
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Synopsis

Jesus divided the world into two groupsâ "those who follow him and those who donâ ™t. But what happens when someone thinks he or she is a Christian, but isnâ ™t? With his witty, engaging style, Mike McKinley takes readers on a journey of what it means to be a Christian. He asserts that â œmanipulative evangelism techniques and a poor understanding of the gospel have resulted in an abundance of professing Christians who have no idea what it means to follow Christ.â •Â Each chapter title begins with â œYouâ ™re not a Christian [if/when/just because you]â |â • As he surveys what it means to be Christian, McKinley offers criteria for evaluating oneâ ™s standing before God. Readers are guided through a series of challenges to reflect, repent, remember, and report to another person. Am I Really a Christian? ends with chapters on salvation and the local church. This unique book is written for nominal or new Christians and can be used in personal or small-group study.

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"Am I really saved?" is a question that many Christians have likely asked themselves at some point. It's something that weigh on the mind of the newer convert or the churched individual going on 40 years in the same church. Far from being irrelevant or pointless, it's dealing with our eternal destination, and so is certainly worthy of serious consideration. Mike McKinley's work in this book is generally clear, concise writing, but he also carries a light touch throughout, and the whole book is a very easy read. McKinley covers multiple key aspects of truly being a Christian, including:-Trusting the facts of the gospel-Hating sin-Perseverance in the faith (see note below)-Loving others-Loving stuff over ChristAt the same time, McKinley admits this is not an exact science, but points to verses that can give the Christian assurance in his or her faith. Additionally, he's right to point out the self-evaluation is difficult, and accountability is a big aspect of belonging to a church and fellowship with other Christians. Many of the 9Marks books are known for being geared towards church builders, pastors, and elders, but there are also books like this one that are easily accessible to even inexperienced, newer Christians. Coming in at only 160 pages, it also has discussion questions at the end of each chapter, as well as reflections on repentance and application, making it suitable for possible small groups use as well as for the individual. This is not a "scare tactics" book, but neither does it pull any punches in addressing how a Christian is instructed to act, and just where true belief needs to lie.

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