

June Blessing Gift: A Yo-Yo in celebration of National Yo-Yo Day, June 6th, & to share with your Grands!



I remember in elementary school having a yo-yo assembly. The master yo-yoers would demonstrate all sorts of yo-yo skills with various types of yo-yos.

They would throw the yo-yo down and it would stay down for a while. That's called the "sleeper." And with a slight tug, it would jump back into the hand of the master yo-yoer. It was amazing!

Today I think of the yo-yo and how it relates to the ups and downs of life we encounter with our health and even our relationships. We battle physical setbacks. We struggle with anxiety and worry at times. We love and we lose those we love. Life is hard.

Just as I don't understand yo-yo's and had to get out the instruction book, I need to read God's instruction manual, the Bible, for peace, comfort, direction, and encouragement. Jesus said, "I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand." (John 10:28-29) When we give our heart to Jesus and place our life in the Master's hands, we have confidence that even when we have our ups and downs, Jesus still holds us in His grip and promises a bright future for those who believe in Him.

It was in 1928 in San Francisco, that Pedro Flores, a Philippine immigrant, began selling the "yo-yo," which means "come-come" in the native language of the Philippines.

(<https://www.si.edu/spotlight/yo-yo>) I can't help but relate that to Jesus inviting all to "Come to me all who are weary, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28) In John 14:6 Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father but through me."

Father, thank You for sending Jesus and His invitation to "come." I give my heart to Jesus and place my life in Your hands, knowing that the ups and downs of this world can't take me from Your grip.. Thank you for Your instruction book for life, the Bible. Draw me closer to The Master. In Jesus name I pray, AMEN.

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Instructions

SUPPLIES:

3"x9" Clear Cellophane bags

Yo-yo's of choice

Ribbon (colors to match yo-yo's)

Crinkly confetti (white shown)

Chocolates for added flavor!

Devotional

Ode to a Yo-Yo Life poem printed on cardstock

Scissors, hole punch, paper cutter, design scissors

Tiny rubber bands to put around devo scroll



ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

Fold devotional into scrolls and secure with tiny white rubber band

Place in one of the cellophane bags

Add "grass/crinkly confetti" to bag

Add yo-yo and 2 chocolates to bag

Tie matching ribbon one time

Use paper cutter to cut out poem

Use design scissors to cut design in the 4 corners

Hole punch in top middle

Feed the ribbon through the hole punched poem

Tie a knot

Curl ribbon (optional)

NOTE: Be sure and sign the poem card before delivering!

A Christian's Ode to a YO-YO Life

Life is full of ups and downs,
Mountains and valleys,
Smiles and frowns.

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