

# BAPTISM!

Various Scriptures

## WHAT WE LEARNED

God calls us to be baptized in response to the Gospel, the good news of Jesus. When we put our faith in Jesus and what He has done we are lowered into the water to represent us dying to our former life of sin and lifted up to represent the new life we have in Christ.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Before we talk about the *what* of baptism, we need to know the *why*: the Gospel!
  - What is the good news? Why is it even necessary?
  - What is sin? Why is it such a big deal? What does it do to our relationship with God?
  - How did Jesus come to us? How did He rescue us from sin? How are we called to respond to His good news/what is required from us to be with God forever?
2. Baptism doesn't *make* you a follower of Jesus - it *shows* that you follow Jesus.
  - Which comes first - faith or baptism? Why is that important?
  - What does it mean that God has made those who trust in Him a "new creation"? How do our lives change after putting our faith in God?
  - What does baptism represent? How does it point us to Jesus/the Gospel?

## MEMORY VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Acts 2:38

## **PRAY TOGETHER**

Spend time this week praising God for His Son Jesus and His willingness to enter into our world to rescue us. Pray for a trust in God's promises and a trust in His ways. Pray and ask God if He is calling you to respond to His good news by being baptized - and if so, do it!

Ask each member of your family - adults included - to share one thing they would like prayer for. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

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