



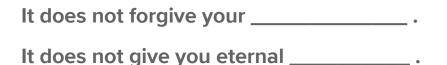
You've stepped across the line of faith and invited Jesus to come into your life. You are forgiven and have eternal life.

What's Your Next Step?

The Bible says you should be baptized.

What is Baptism?

Let's see what baptism is all about.

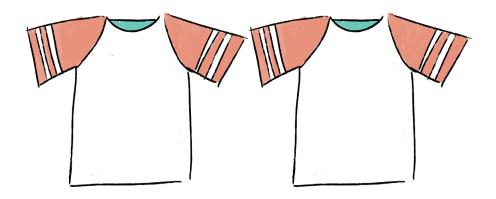


Baptism shows people you _____Jesus.

"If you love Me, keep My commandments."

John 14:15

What is Baptism?



Baptism shows people you _____ to Jesus.

"For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ like a garment." Galatians 3:27

Baptism shows people what				

Baptism shows people what Jesus has _____ for you.



"For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized.

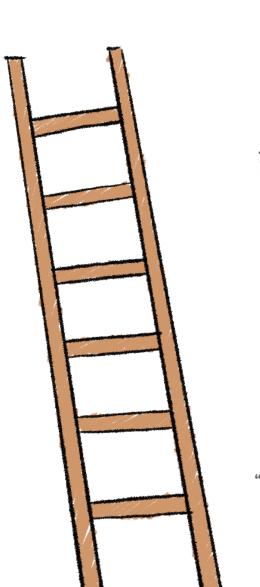
And with Him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, Who raised Christ from the dead." Colossians 2:12

Why Should I be Baptized?

Jesus _____ you to.

OBEY

"Jesus came and told His disciples,
'I have been given all authority in Heaven and on Earth.
Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and
the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:18-19



It helps you

in your faith.

"...Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

When Should I be Baptized?

As soon as you are _____



"As they rode along they came to some water, and the eunuch said, 'Look! There's some water! Why can't I be baptized?' He ordered the carriage to stop, and they went down into the water, and Philip baptized him."

Acts 8:36-38

Discussion Questions

- A. Renee was baptized as a baby. She's now 9 years old and has invited Jesus into her life. Should she be baptized? Why or why not?
- B. Terrance thinks if he is baptized his sins will be forgiven. Is he correct? Why or why not?
- C. What does baptism show people?
- D. How does baptism represent Jesus dying, being buried and rising again for you?
- F. How does being baptized help you grow in your faith?
- E. Carlos wants to be baptized because he saw his friend get baptized and he thinks it looks fun. Is this a good reason to be baptized? Why or why not?

F. NO. Baptism is for people who have made a decision to follow Jesus.

E. It's the first step of obedience as a follower of Jesus.

D. When you stand in the water, it makes the shape of a cross like Jesus died on. When you go under the water, it represents Jesus into the grave. When you come up out of the water, it represents Jesus rising from the dead.

C. It shows you love Jesus and belong to Him.

B. NO. Baptism does not forgive your sins. Your sins are forgiven when you ask Jesus to come into your life.

A. YES. Believer's baptism happens after you're old enough to understand and have invited Jesus into your life.

Answers:



Why do you go under the water when you are baptized?

The word "baptize" means to go under. When Jesus was buried, His entire body went down in the grave and so we go all the way under the water to show this.

I'm nervous about being baptized. Is this normal?

Yes. Some kids are nervous about people watching them or about going under the water. Just remember, Jesus will be with you and everyone there is cheering for you.

Getting Ready for Baptism

Write down what you're going to say on the "I'm Getting Baptized" card and bring it with you to your baptism.

When you are baptized, we'd like to give you the opportunity to tell people why you are being baptized. Here are some examples of things you can say:

- I want to show people that Jesus has come into my life.
- I want to show people that Jesus is my Forgiver, Leader and Friend.
- I want people to know that Jesus has forgiven my sins and I love Him.

Ready to be Baptized?

We're here to help you take this important step in your journey with Jesus.



My Baptism

Date:		
Time:		
Location:		

Parents:

Write a note to your child about his or her decision to be baptized.

Other Notes...

