



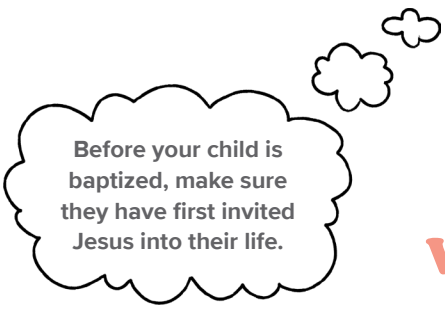
All About Baptism

For Kids

Coach's Tips

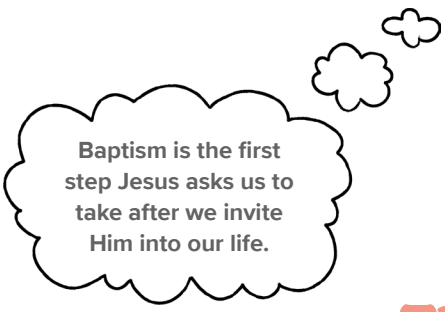
What is baptism?
Why should I be baptized?
When should I be baptized?

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



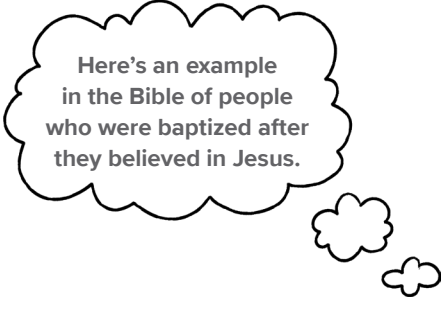
Before your child is
baptized, make sure
they have first invited
Jesus into their life.

**What's Your
Next Step?**



Baptism is the first
step Jesus asks us to
take after we invite
Him into our life.

**The Bible says
you should be
baptized.**



Here's an example
in the Bible of people
who were baptized after
they believed in Jesus.

**"Those who accepted His message were baptized."
Acts 2:41**

What is Baptism?

Let's see what baptism is all about.



It's very important to help your child understand that baptism does not forgive your sins nor does it get you into heaven. Inviting Jesus into your life as your Forgiver, Leader, & Friend is what gives you eternal life.

It does not forgive your _____ sins .

It does not give you eternal _____ life .

We get baptized to show people we love Jesus. Share the wedding ring example with your child to help them understand this.

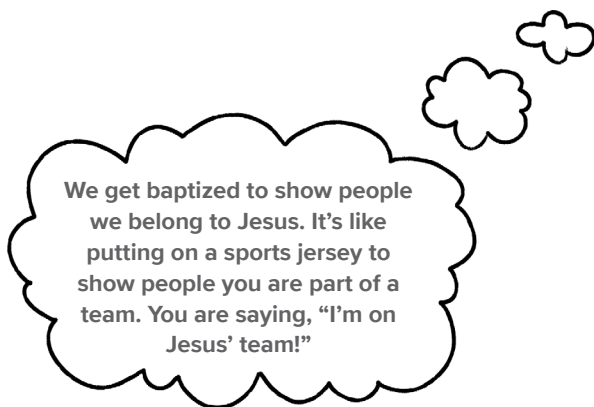


Baptism shows people you love Jesus.

"If you love Me, keep My commandments."

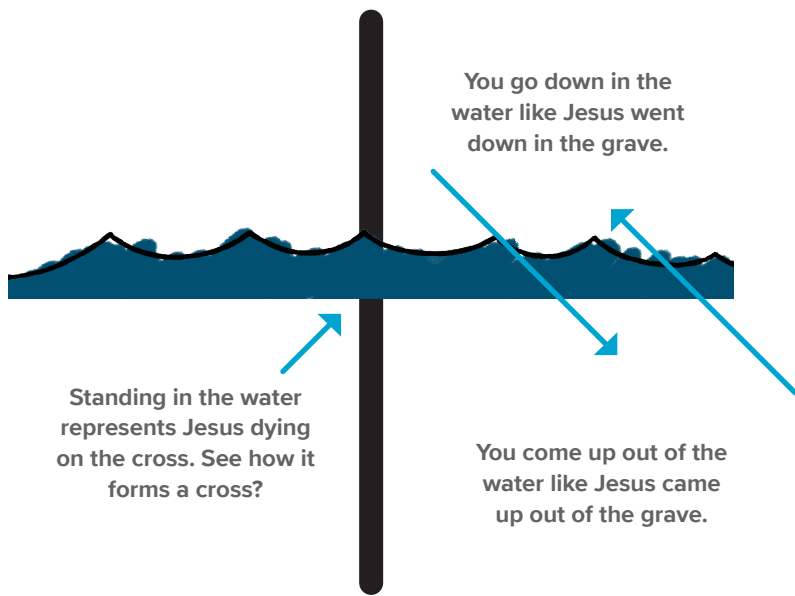
John 14:15

What is Baptism?



Baptism shows people you belong 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
Jesus has done 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?

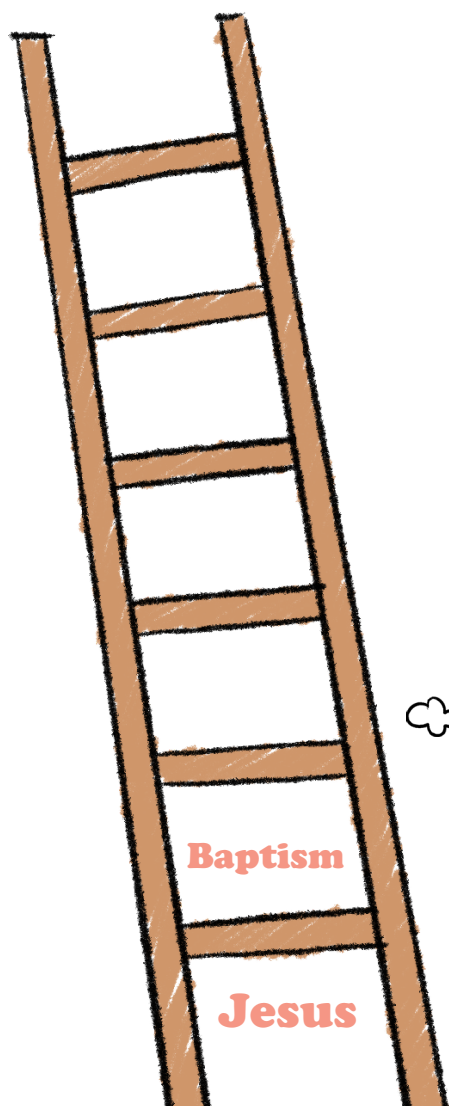
Jesus asks you to.

OBEY



When you are baptized,
you are obeying Jesus.

“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
grow
in your faith.

Baptism is the first step
in growing in your faith.

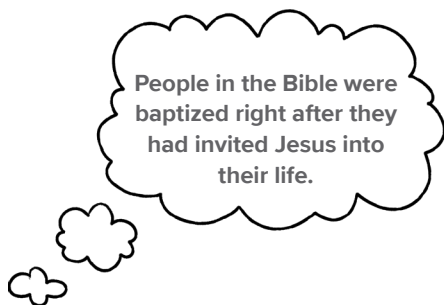
Baptism

Jesus

“...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 _____ ready _____.



People in the Bible were baptized right after they had invited Jesus into their life.

“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

Talk through these questions with your child to make sure he/she understands.

- 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?

Answers:

- A. YES. Believer's baptism happens after you're old enough to understand and have invited Jesus into your life.
- B. NO. Baptism does not forgive your sins. Your sins are forgiven when you ask Jesus to come into your life.
- C. It shows you love Jesus and belong to Him.
- 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 going down into the grave. When you come up out of the water, it represents Jesus rising from the dead.
- E. It's the first step of obedience as a follower of Jesus.
- F. NO. Baptism is for people who have made a decision to follow Jesus.

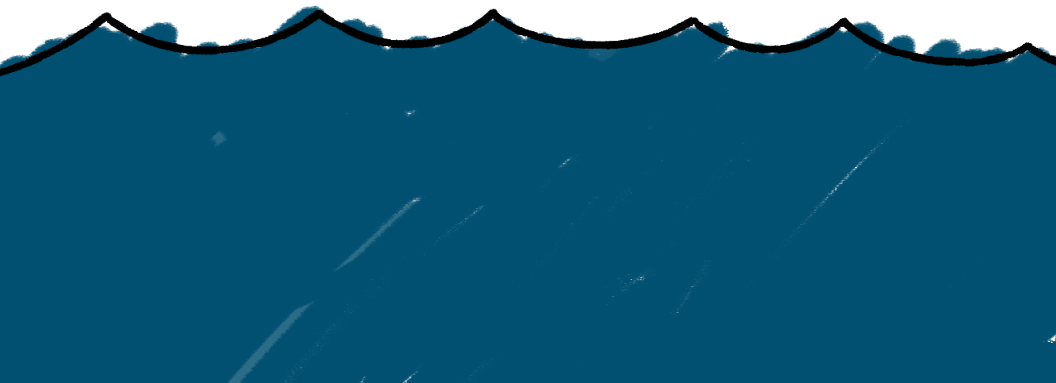
Kids FAQ's

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.

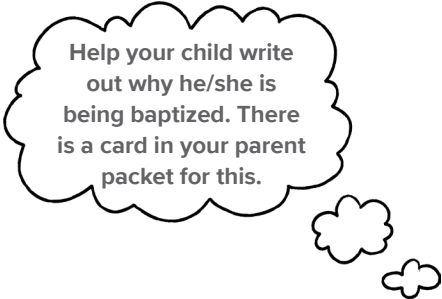
I'm nervous about being baptized. Is this normal?

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.



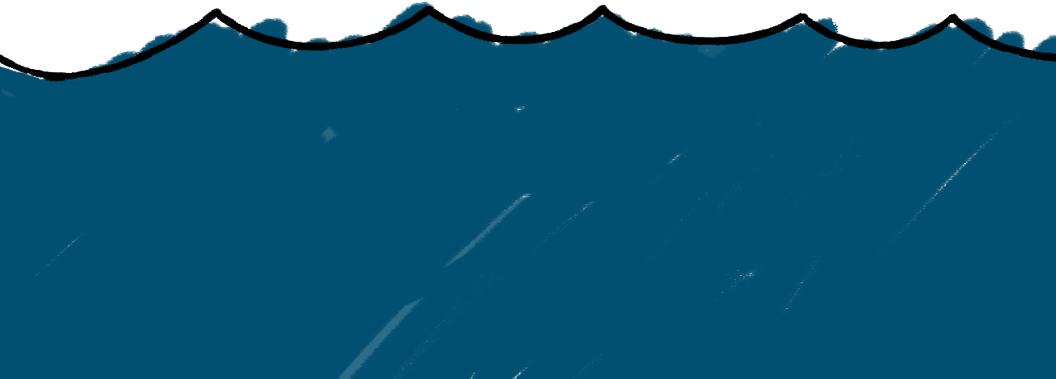
Getting Ready for Baptism

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



Help your child write out why he/she is being baptized. There is a card in your parent packet for this.

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.
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Parents FAQ's

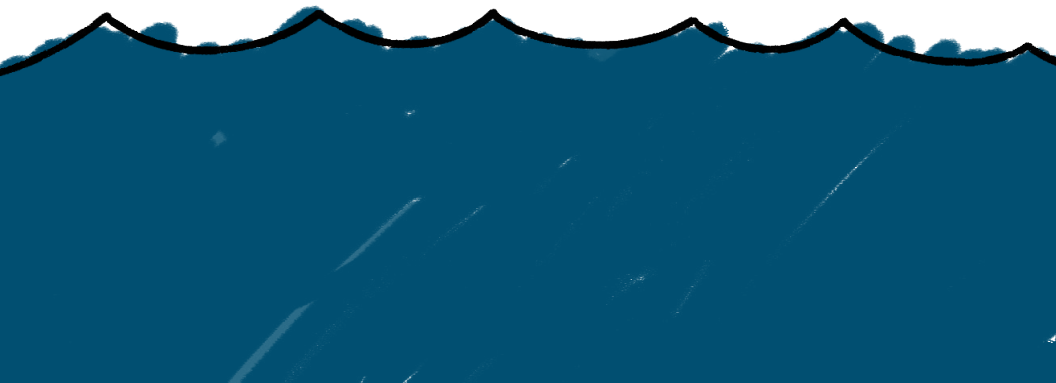
My child was baptized as a baby. Does he/she need to be baptized now?

Yes. In the bible, believer's baptism was always for people who were old enough to understand and make their own decision about being baptized.

How do I know if my child is ready to be baptized?

Here's some things to watch for...

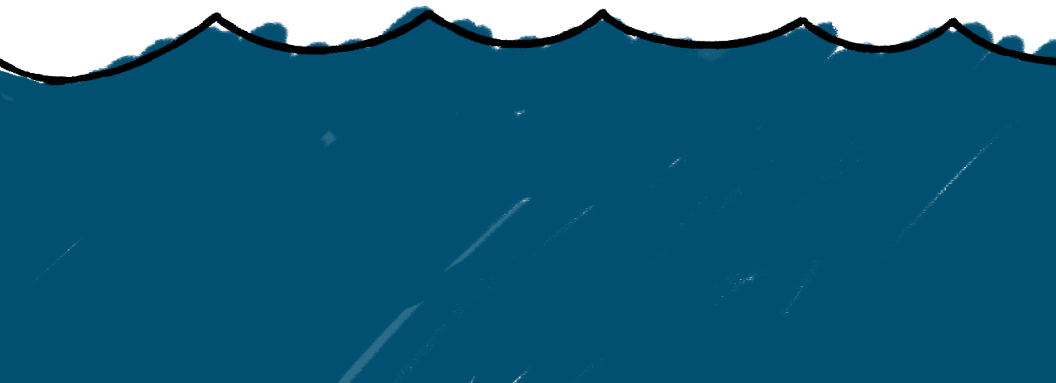
- Your child has made a clear decision to invite Jesus into their life.
- Your child has a clear understanding of what baptism means. Go over the discussion questions on page 8 with them.
- Your child is persistent in bringing up the subject on a regular basis.
- Your child feels this is something they need to do vs. something they want to do. There is a difference.



My child wants to be baptized, but doesn't have a clear understanding of what it means yet? What should I do.

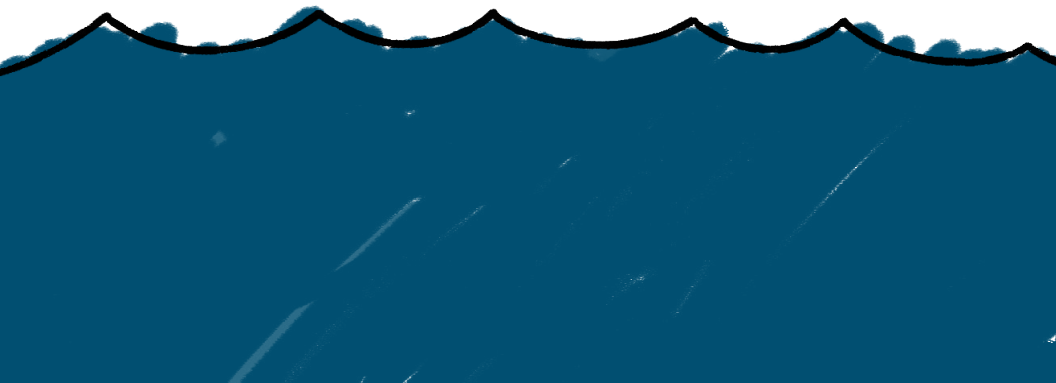
Continue sharing with them and let them know you're proud of them for taking steps toward being baptized.

What should I bring for my child for the baptism?



Ready to be Baptism

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

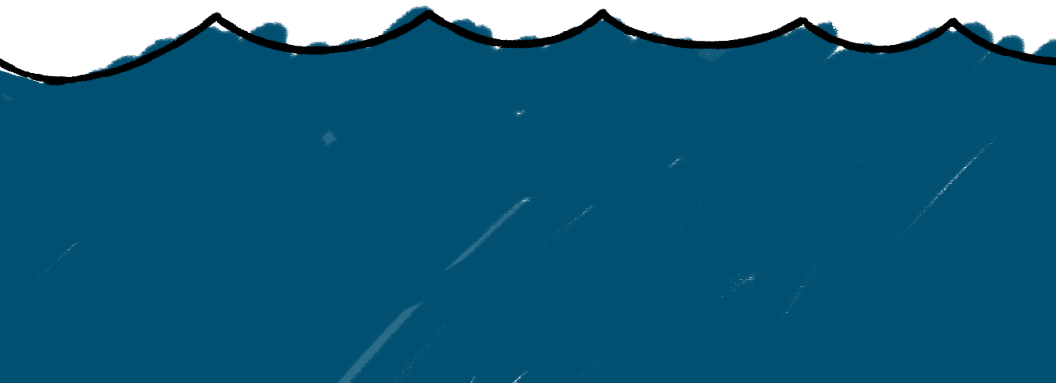


My Baptism

Date: _____

Time: _____

Location: _____





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