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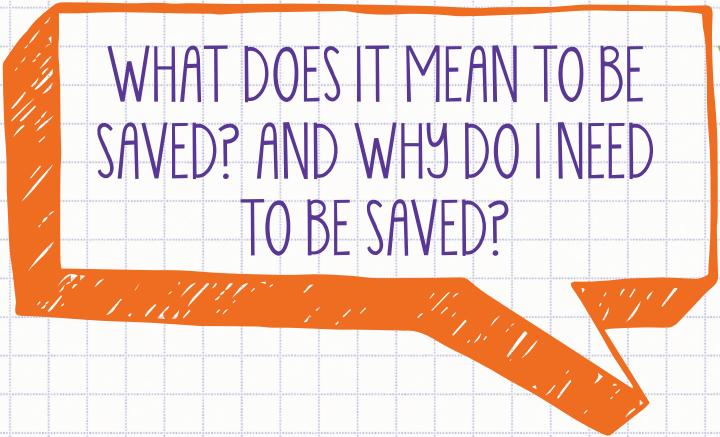


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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE SAVED? AND WHY DO I NEED TO BE SAVED?

1. The Bible tells us about the good news of salvation. Another word that we use that means good news is _____ OSPELG

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1, 3: BROTHERS AND SISTERS, I WANT TO REMIND YOU OF THE GOOD NEWS I PREACHED TO YOU. YOU RECEIVED IT AND HAVE PUT YOUR FAITH IN IT. BECAUSE YOU BELIEVED THE GOOD NEWS, YOU ARE SAVED... HERE IS WHAT IT IS. CHRIST DIED FOR OUR SINS, JUST AS SCRIPTURE SAID HE WOULD.

2. We learn in the Bible that God wants a close relationship with the people he created but we are separated from God because of our _____ NISS

ROMANS 3:23: FOR ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD.

3. The Bible also makes it clear that our _____ NAELTYP for sin is eternal separation from God, or spiritual death.

ROMANS 6:23A: FOR THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH.



- ★ 4. But there is good news. God loves us so much that he sent his one and only _____ ONS to die in our place and take the punishment for our sins.

ROMANS 5:8: BUT GOD DEMONSTRATES HIS OWN LOVE FOR US IN THIS: WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US.

- ★ 5. The Bible tells us that if we want to be saved from our sin, then we must _____ SEFSCON with our mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in our _____ EAHTR that God raised him from the dead.

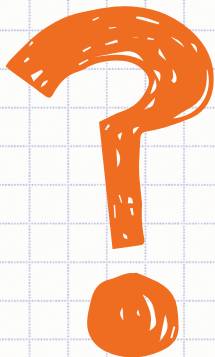
ROMANS 10:9-10: THAT IF YOU CONFESS WITH YOUR MOUTH, "JESUS IS LORD," AND BELIEVE IN YOUR HEART THAT GOD RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD, YOU WILL BE SAVED. FOR IT IS WITH YOUR HEART THAT YOU BELIEVE AND ARE JUSTIFIED, AND IT IS WITH YOUR MOUTH THAT YOU CONFESS AND ARE SAVED.

- ★ 6. If we pray and accept Jesus as our Lord, then we will live forever with God in _____ EHAVNE

JOHN 3:16: GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONE AND ONLY SON. ANYONE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT DIE BUT WILL HAVE ETERNAL LIFE.

SOMETIMES IT HELPS TO
EXPLAIN THE GOOD NEWS,
OR GOSPEL, WITH A PICTURE.
PARENTS, USE THE SPACE
BELOW TO DRAW THE BRIDGE
ILLUSTRATION YOU LEARNED
IN THE FAITH COMMITMENT &
BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS.





ARE YOU READY TO ACCEPT
JESUS INTO YOUR HEART? IT'S
REALLY AS SIMPLE AS ABC.

A Admit you are a sinner (Romans 3:23) "For all have sinned..."

B Believe that Jesus is God's son and the only way to God
(John 3:16)

I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE. NO ONE COMES TO THE
FATHER BUT THROUGH ME. JOHN 14:6

C Confess that Jesus is Lord (the one in control of your life)
(Romans 10:9-10)

If you are ready to say a prayer to receive God's free gift of salvation,
pray something like this:

DEAR GOD, THANK YOU THAT YOU LOVE ME AND YOU MADE ME.
I ADMIT THAT I AM A SINNER, AND I THANK YOU THAT YOU SENT
JESUS TO DIE FOR ME. COME INTO MY LIFE, BE MY SAVIOR, AND
MAKE ME THE PERSON YOU WANT ME TO BE. THANK YOU FOR
FORGIVING ME. THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME ETERNAL LIFE. I LOVE
YOU. IN JESUS' NAME, AMEN.

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BAPTISM

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WHY WATER BAPTISM?



Here's a fun way for you to look over and learn the important parts of water baptism. We will discover these truths by using the letters in the word B. A. P. T. I. S. M. So what you need to do is fill in the blanks with the scrambled words, read the verses that go with these and discuss them with a parent.

If you get stuck, there's a place where you can look up the answers on page 16. But that's ONLY if you get stuck. So let's get started.

Baptism cannot get you to _____ (NEVAEH).

We can only get to heaven by having a relationship with Jesus Christ. That means that having a belief and faith in Christ is what saves us – not water baptism.

Ephesians 2:8-9 *God saved you by his special favor when you believed.*

Romans 10:9-10 *That if you confess with your mouth "Jesus is Lord" and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.*

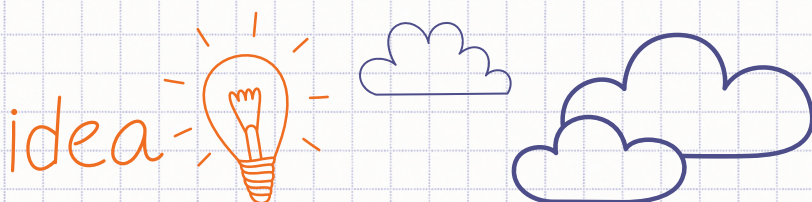
Act of _____ (INOBEDECE).

Baptism is a step of obedience that we need to do when we have a relationship with Christ. It's a "have to" if we really want to follow Christ.

Matthew 28:19-20 and Acts 2:38 talk about that. Look these verses up and talk about them with your parents.

Picture of Christ's _____ (THAED), _____ (LRBIAU), and resurrection.

Romans 6:4 *That's what the baptism into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the death of Jesus; when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus.*



Here's another cool verse about that:

Colossians 2:12 *When you are baptized, you are buried with Christ, and you are raised up with Him through your faith in God's power that was shown when He raised Christ from the dead.*

Those who _____ **(VELIBEE) in Christ.**

Did you know that only those who have asked Jesus into their heart and have a relationship with him need to be baptized? Having a relationship with Jesus comes first, then the step of baptism.

I _____ **(TFEISDENI) you with Christ.**

When you wear a baseball hat or your school's T-shirt, you are telling everyone that you are loyal to a team or belong to that school. Well, when you are baptized, you're telling everyone that you are identifying yourself with Jesus.

S _____ **(MYLOB) of belief.** Water baptism is a symbol of your belief in Christ. What do you think a symbol is? Look up the word symbol in the dictionary and write down its meaning here. _____

Look up **I Corinthians 15:3-4**. How is baptism a symbol of these two verses?

Must be under _____ **(EATWR).**

Did you know that the word baptize means "to dunk under water?" When you get baptized, you will be dunked under water and then quickly brought back up, out of the water. This is the same way that Jesus was baptized.

Matthew 3:16a *As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water.*

SUMMARY OF WATER BAPTISM



1. It is for all believers (people who have a relationship with Jesus Christ).
2. It does not save you or get you into heaven.
3. It is an act of obedience to God.
4. It is being dunked under water (briefly—don't worry).
5. It's a picture of Christ's death, burial and resurrection.
6. It's a symbolic act.
7. It tells others that you belong to God.

Now that you have gone through this section about water baptism, you and your parents need to fill in the blanks below.

“I have completed the baptism section of this booklet and understand what baptism is and why it is important.”

Child's name: _____ Age: _____

Parent(s) signature: _____

Date: _____

Parents: If at this point you are unsure about your child's understanding of baptism, please ask them to wait. This is an event that will be a spiritual marker in their lives if they are ready for it. There is no harm in giving them more time to mature and truly understand their decision. If you would like to discuss this with someone, please contact your Northview Kids Director.

CUT THIS OUT
AND TURN IT
IN AT YOUR
BAPTISM CLASS.

BAPTIZED

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at northview church

application for water baptism

Today's date: _____ Scheduled baptism date: _____

Conversion date: _____
(date you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord)

I, _____, having accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior and Lord, desire to follow Him in baptism by immersion at the next scheduled baptismal service. I understand that this baptism is not equivalent to joining this church, and does not obligate me to become a member, but is rather the answer of a good conscience toward God. (1 Peter 2:21)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

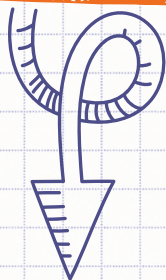
Phone: _____ Birth date: _____ / _____ / _____
month day year

E-mail address: _____
(parent's e-mail if a minor)

By registering myself or my child to be baptized, I hereby give Northview Church's assigns, licenses, and legal representatives the irrevocable right to use my name and/or my child's name (or any fictional name), picture, portrait, or photograph in all forms and media and in all manners, including composite or distorted representations, for advertising, trade or any other lawful purposes, and I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product, including written copy, that may be created in connection therewith.

Signature _____ Date _____
(parent's signature if a minor)

MY TESTIMONY



Describe when you invited Jesus into your life. Why did you make that decision, and how has Jesus changed your life? Why do you

want to be baptized? Who was influential in your decision to follow Christ? Feel free to use a separate sheet of paper. Turn in your finished testimony during your baptism class.

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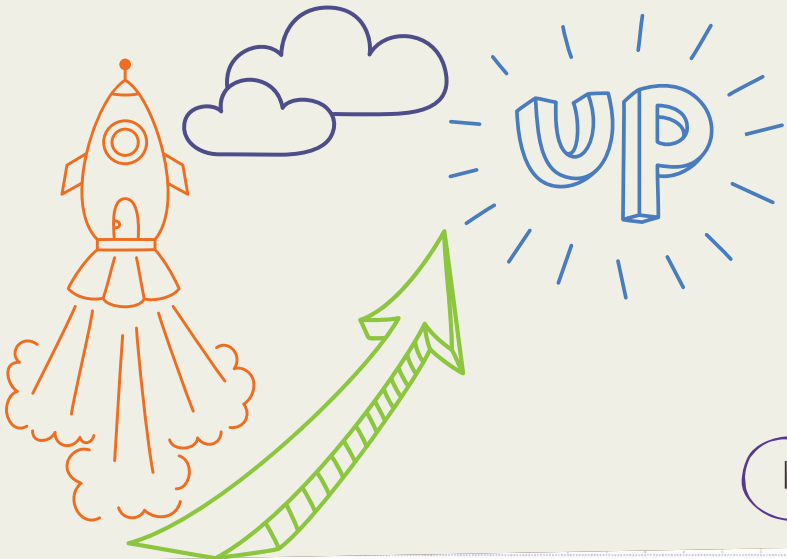
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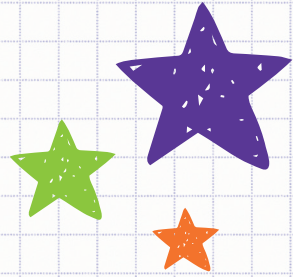
In order to be officially registered to be baptized, your attendance at the Water Baptism class is required. You can register at th NEXT Hub or at www.northviewchurch.us.

BAPTISM CLASS

1. When you arrive for class, sign in at the table in the Lobby.
2. You will be instructed on where to go for your class.
3. During this class, we will discuss the purpose of water baptism and answer any questions you may have. We will also do a walk-through of the baptism experience.
4. Please bring your completed application and your written testimony to the baptism class. We will be collecting these from you when you check in.



WATER BAPTISM INSTRUCTIONS



INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DAY OF BAPTISM

Please come backstage to the baptism area 30 minutes before the service time.

EVERYONE SHOULD BRING

- A towel
- Prewashed dark clothing
- Girls, plan to wear a swimsuit under your clothes
- Dry clothes to change into after the baptism
- Hair dryer (if needed)
- Please plan to leave your valuables at home or with a loved one during your baptism.

AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH

- Plastic bags for wet clothing
- Dressing areas
- Videotaping and photography is permitted.

PRACTICE TESTIMONY

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PRACTICE TESTIMONY

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Answer key for pages 8 - 9:

- Heaven
- Obedience
- Death
- Burial
- Believe
- Identifies
- Symbol
- Water