

FAMILY DEVOTION

Lesson: "What Is Water Baptism?"



"Baptism Is A Picture Of What God's Done In Me!"



"...Repent and be baptized, every one of you..." - Acts 2:38

SAY:

Water Baptism has been an important part of the Christian life for thousands of years. Many kids do not fully understand the purpose or reason why we baptize people. Some kids have big questions like: "Does the water wash away my sins?", "Do I have to be baptized to get into Heaven?", or "Is it just like taking a bath in front of the whole church?"

READ:

Mark 1:4-11

DISCUSS:

- Who was baptized?
- Who baptized Jesus?
- When Jesus was baptized, what descended from Heaven?
- Whose voice could be heard from Heaven just after Jesus was baptized?

SAY:

Being baptized is NOT us actually getting saved. That only happens when we ask Jesus to forgive our sins and become our Lord. Being baptized does "represent" or "symbolize" us giving our lives to Jesus and being forgiven of our sins.

Baptism is a picture of what God has already done in our hearts. When others see us get baptized, they are able to "see" what God has done in our lives on the inside. When we go down into the water, it symbolizes us laying down our "old life" of sin. When we come up out of the water, it symbolizes our "new life" in Jesus. No more sin!

PRAY:

Give an opportunity for your children to accept Jesus as their Savior if they have never done so.