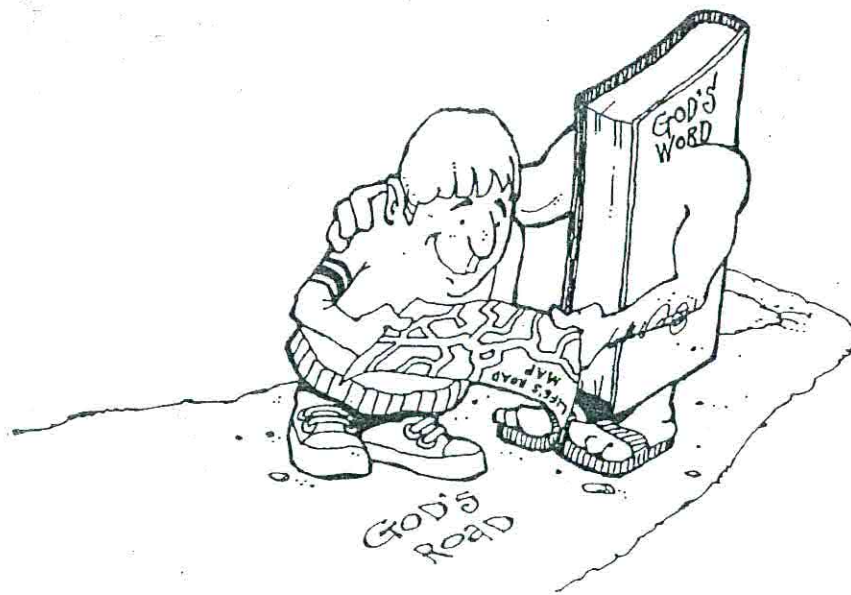


# FOLLOWING GOD'S DIRECTION



# IN BAPTISM

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1. WHY PEOPLE GET BAPTIZED?



2. WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW BEFORE YOU ARE BAPTIZED?



3. HOW DO YOU GET BAPTIZED?



4. WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED?

# WHY PEOPLE GET BAPTIZED

1. People should be baptized because Jesus wants them to be.  
Here is what He said:

## *The Bible Says.....*



*“Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”*

*Matthew 28:19-20*

## *The Bible Says.....*



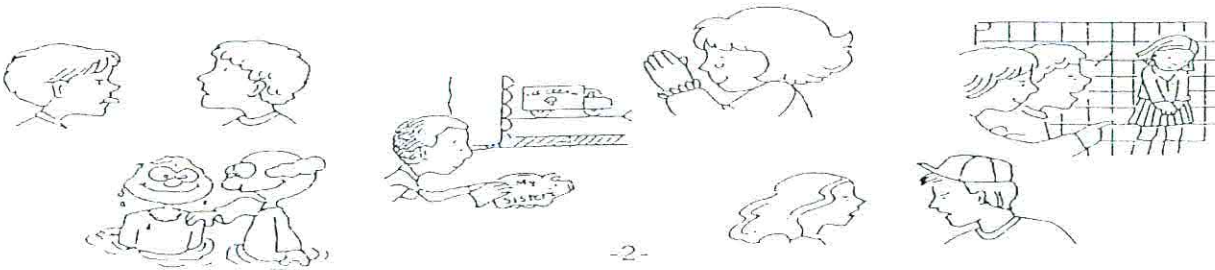
*“If you love me, you will obey what I command.”*

*John 14:15*

Baptism is a way of obeying Jesus.

Why should we obey Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

Study the pictures below and cross out those that show people disobeying Jesus.



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# WHY PEOPLE GET BAPTIZED

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2. People should be baptized because it is a way of telling their family and friends that Jesus is in their life.



## *The Bible Says.....*



*“The Philippian jailer brought Paul and Silas out of the prison and asked, ‘Sirs, what must I do to be saved?’ They replied, ‘Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved’ ....He and all his family were baptized...The whole family was filled with joy, because they have come to believe in God.”*

*Acts 16:30-34*

All of us remember one special Christmas when we received that *one* gift we had hoped for. Upon opening that gift we were so excited we could hardly wait to tell others about what we had received.

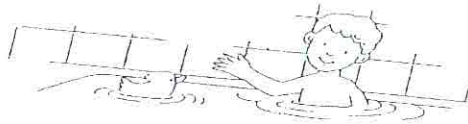
When Christ comes into our lives, it is so special that we should want to tell others about it.

# WHY PEOPLE GET BAPTIZED

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3. People should be baptized because it is a way of others that Jesus washed their sins away.

When you asked Jesus to come into your life he washed the sin in your life away. He made you clean inside just like taking a bath makes you feel clean on the outside.



When someone is baptized in the water it helps the people watching to remember that Jesus washed all our sins away when He came into our lives.



## The Bible Says.....



*“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”*

*1 John 1:9*



Have you ever asked Jesus to come into your life and wash your sins away?

# WHAT SHOULD YOU KNOW BEFORE YOU ARE BAPTIZED?

1. Being baptized does not save me or wash away my sin.

*The Bible Says.....*

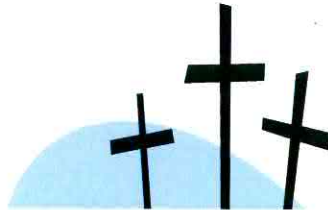


*“Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved...”*

*Acts 16:31*

2. Not being baptized does not keep me from being saved.

Two thieves were crucified with Jesus. One thief believed in Jesus, the other did not. The one who did believe asked Jesus to remember him.



*The Bible Says.....*



*“Jesus replied, ‘Today you will be with me in paradise.’”*

*Luke 23:39-43*

Did the thief who believed in Jesus get baptized? \_\_\_\_\_

Yet Jesus saved him because he was sorry and believed in Jesus. One day we will see this thief in heaven.

# WHAT SHOULD YOU KNOW BEFORE YOU ARE BAPTIZED?

3. The Bible teaches that a person who has invited Jesus into his or her life should be baptized Not being baptized does not keep me from being

Baptism is a symbol (or picture).

- A. Baptism shows what Jesus did for you. The Bible tells us that Jesus died for your sins, was buried and rose again on the third day.
- B. Baptism also helps people remember that Jesus washed away your sins.
- C. When Jesus came into your life you knew He was there even though you couldn't see Him. Baptism tells everyone- "*I belong to Jesus*" in a visible way.

By being baptized you are showing others that you love and obey Jesus. Baptism is one ways of showing everyone that Jesus is in your life.

☆ **Have you invited Jesus to come into your life?** \_\_\_\_\_

*If you have not done so yet, they you should not be baptized at this time.  
Remember, you should be baptized only if Jesus is in your life.*

If you want to invite Jesus into your life, talk to your parents or your Sunday school teacher right away.

## MY RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS

If you have invited Jesus into your life:

When did it happen? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Day of the week)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Time of day)

How old were you? \_\_\_\_\_

Where were you? \_\_\_\_\_

Who was with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Who talked to you? \_\_\_\_\_

What was talked about? \_\_\_\_\_

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# HOW DO YOU GET BAPTIZED?

1. Before Pastor baptizes you, he will ask if you have Jesus in your life

When you are baptized, your words and actions will tell your friends and family that Jesus is in your life.

2. When you are baptized you will go under the water because the Bible says Jesus did it that way.

## *The Bible Says.....*



*“As soon as Jesus was baptized he went up out of the water...”*

*Matthew 3:16a*

3. Jesus said that when a person is baptized he should be baptized in the name of the Father, His son Jesus and the Holy Spirit

The word “*baptize*” means to “dip or immerse” (putting under the water.)

## *The Bible Says.....*



*“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and the Holy Spirit.”*

*Matthew 28:19*