

Anchor Devotion

Jesus' Baptism Matthew 3:17

SOAP METHOD:

S: Scripture

O: Observations

A: Application/Activities

P: Prayer

S: Read Matthew 3:13-17:

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. 14 But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"

15 Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.

16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

O: Observe the following:

Why did John try to deter, or change Jesus' mind?

What are your thoughts when you read verses 16-17? How do you think you would have felt if you were there?

If Jesus' obedience to God caused God to be "well pleased," do you think our obedience would cause God to be well pleased also?

A: Activities:

Do the Jesus' Baptism Word Search and spot the difference worksheets. Have fun with these, as you think more on the importance of Jesus' baptism.

A: Application:

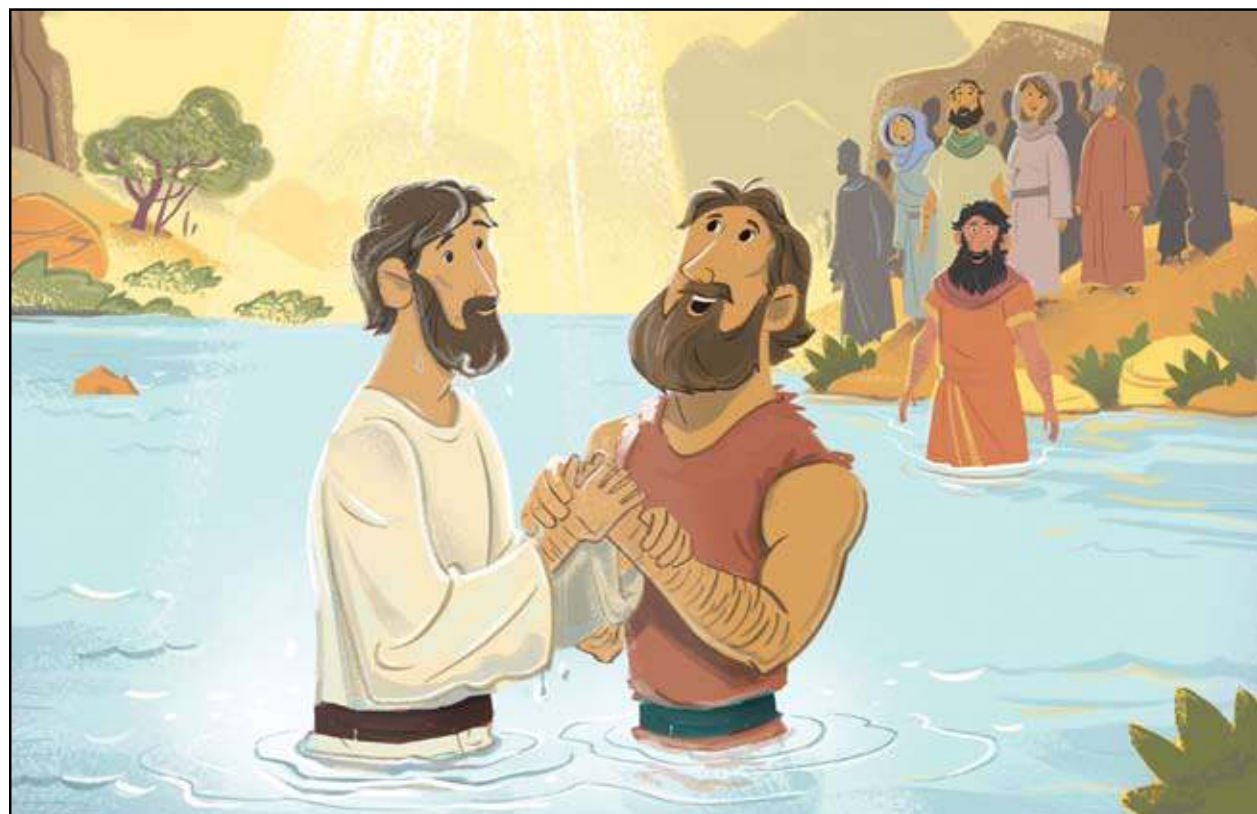
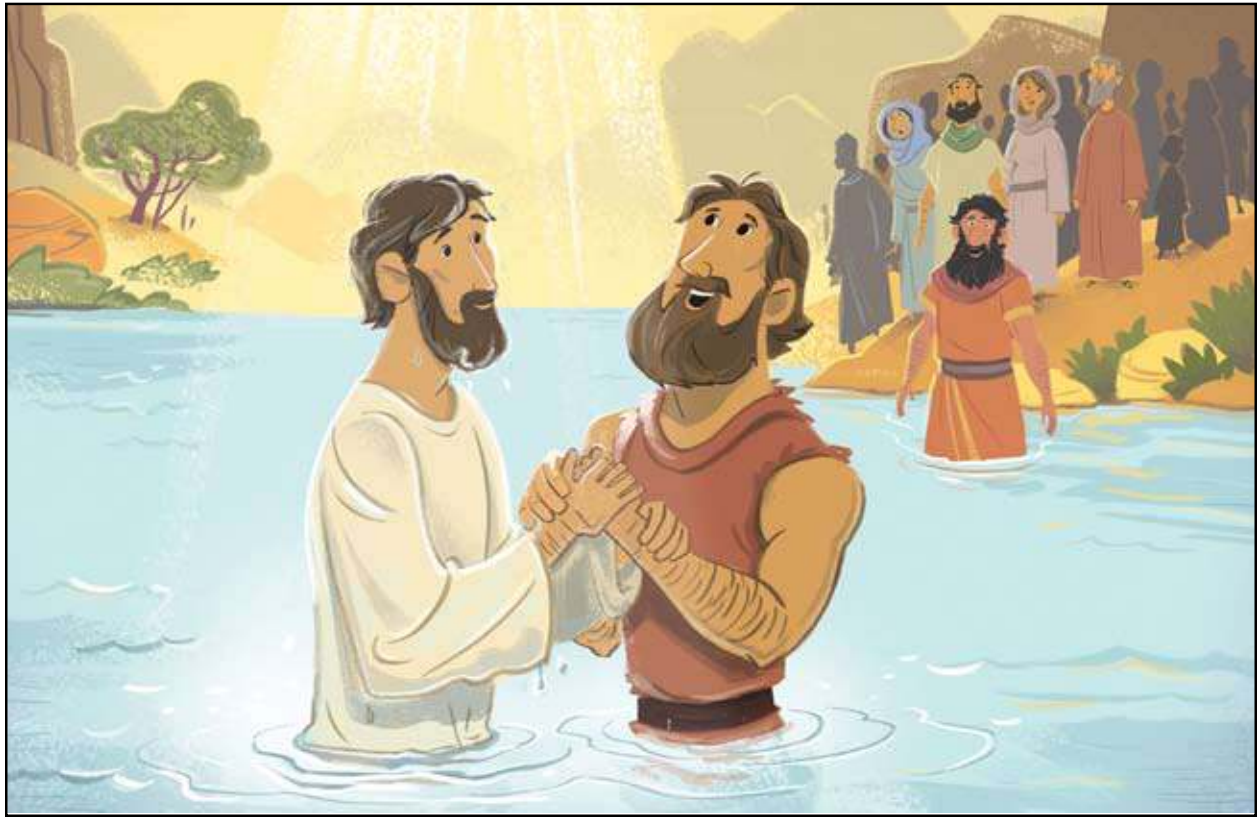
Have you been baptized? If yes, how has it changed your life? If not, and you would like to learn more, please see a pastor or leader at your church, and ask to learn more about what it means, and whether you are ready.

P: Pray this prayer:

Dear God, I am so grateful that every time I learn about Jesus, he is the perfect example for me. Thank you for His example of being baptized. Please help me to learn how I can live for you and be obedient always. Help me live my best life for you. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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Jesus' Baptism Word Search

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B E L O V E D D R E E A T V E

BAPTIZED

BELOVED

DOVE

GALILEE

HEAVENS

JOHN

JORDAN

RIGHTEOUSNESS

SON

WATER



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