



BAPTISM

**at
Winnipeg
Centre
Vineyard**

for KIDS

Name: _____

Date I Got Baptized: _____

Where I Got Baptized: _____

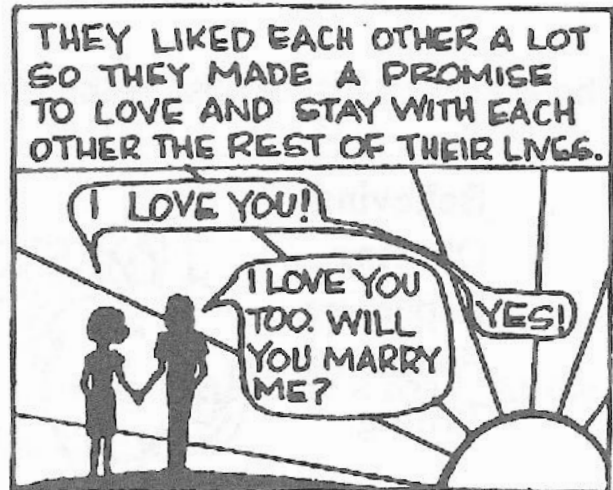
Who was there?:

"...when we were joined with Christ Jesus in baptism, we joined him in his death... For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives."

Romans 6:3-4 (NLT)



BAPTISM is like a Wedding



Their wedding was not the beginning of their love but it was the time they announced to the whole world that they loved each other. Getting baptized is like getting married. It's not the beginning of your love for Jesus because you already do love him. But it is the time when you announce to the world that you love him and will love him for the rest of your life.

What is BAPTISM all About?

Baptism is all about B O R F T !

B elieving
O beying
R epenting
F ollowing
T elling



Believing:

Baptism shows that you believe in Jesus. It shows that you believe Jesus is the Son of God and that he came to our world to rescue us and the whole earth from sin. Jesus made a way for us to be forgiven from the wrong paths we've taken. He did this by living a sinless life, allowing himself to be crucified and then overcoming death by being resurrected (that means coming back to life). That's how much he loves us! (1 John 3:16).

Read Acts 18:7-8

What happened after the Corinthians believed in Jesus?

What do you believe about Jesus?

Obeying:

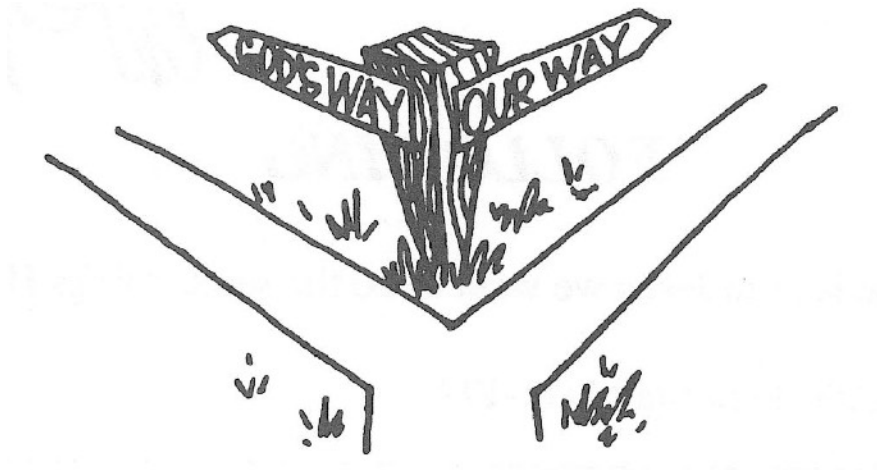
When we believe in Jesus we want to do what he tells us (John 14:15).

Read Acts 2:38.

What is one thing the Bible tells us do do?

Repenting:

Let's say you were driving and you came to the end of a road. At the end you saw two new roads and a sign like this:



Could you travel to Bird's Hill Park and Grand Beach at the same time? _____

If you were on the road to Bird's Hill Park and but you wanted to go to Grand Beach, what would you have to do?

It's the same in life too. We can't follow the right way and the wrong way at the same time. If we're going on the wrong way, we must turn around and go the other way. Our wrong ways are called sins and turning around is called:

Repenting!

What wrong ways you are on? Ask God to help you remember things. When you're finished read this out loud:

*"If I confess my sins,
God is faithful and
just to forgive my
sins and to clean me
from all my wrong
ways."*

1 John 1:9

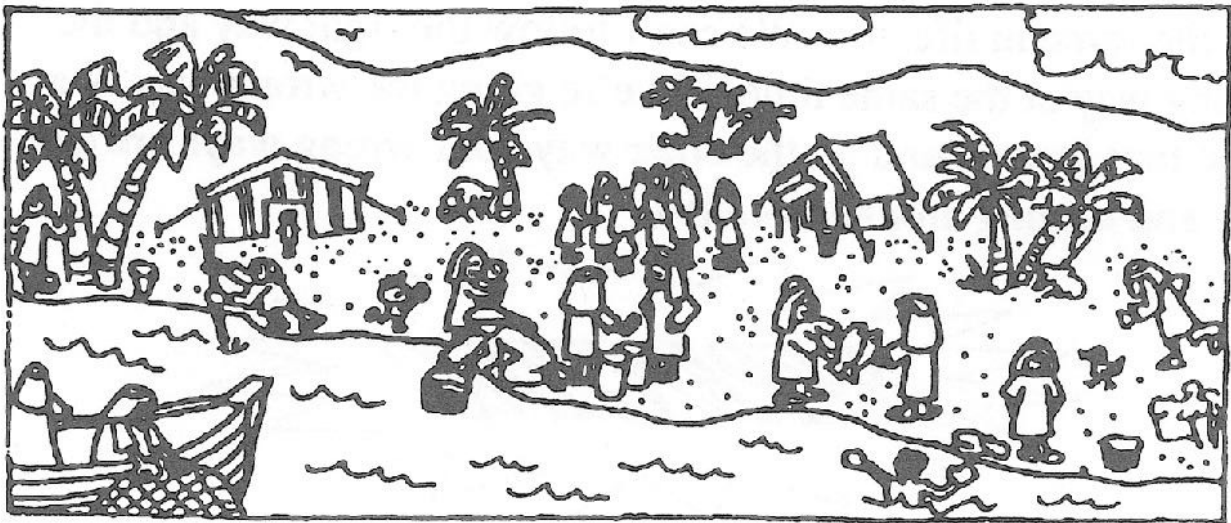


Following:

When we believe in Jesus we want to do the same things he did.

What did Jesus do in Matthew 3:13-17?

Telling:



In Jesus' time rivers were busy places! People were there washing clothes, getting water and talking. That's also where people were baptized. So when someone was baptized everyone knew about it!

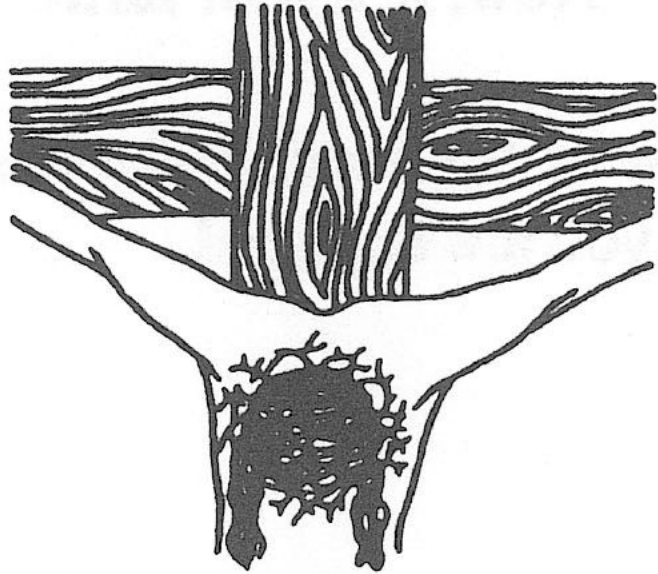
When we get baptized it means we say:

"I don't care who knows that I am a Christian. I'm following Jesus!"



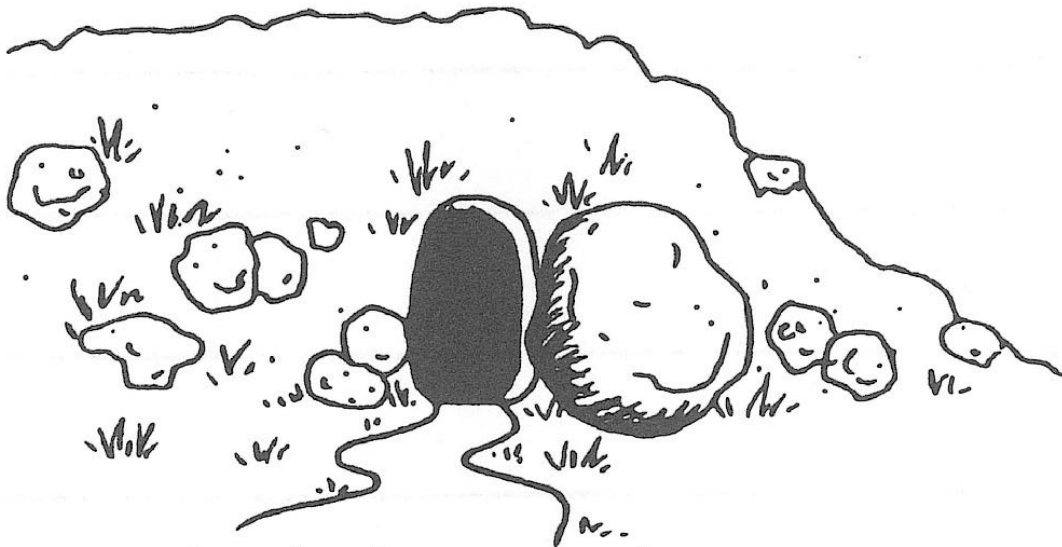
What does BAPTISM Mean?

Baptism is kind of like acting out a little play. You are acting out Jesus dying and coming back to life again.



When you go down into the water, it's like Jesus dying with all our sins on him and being buried.

When we come up out of the water, it's like when he rose up from the dead (Romans 6:3-4).



Baptism is also like taking a bath in which God washes away our sin and guilt. The water is not magic. We are forgiven because of Jesus, but the water reminds us that his forgiveness washes us clean.

Baptism also means that we are part of the family of God. When we come up out of the water we are welcomed into the church family. People will pray God's blessing for us (Acts 2:38-39).

In the Book of Acts, people received the Holy Spirit by others praying for them. Even at Jesus' baptism, God sent the Holy Spirit to him in the form of a dove (John 1:32-34). We will pray the same thing for you!

Questions you will be asked:

When you are baptised you will be asked these questions. They are from something called the Apostles Creed which is something Christians have believed for almost 2000 years.

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord and King, and in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life and grace?

I Do!

Do you say "no" to Satan and all his works and all his ways?

I Do!

Do you confess your need for forgiveness of sins, and with a humble heart put your hope in God's mercy and your whole trust in Christ as your Lord and Saviour?

I Do!

With his help, will you seek to follow him, becoming more like him until you see him face to face?

I Will!



To help you prepare, why do you want to be baptized?
What do you want to say to everyone when you are baptized?

