Lesson No. 4

A Good Decision

Connect with the Word

Reading about the life and ministry of Jesus, we find key moments that help us to understand profound spiritual truths for our lives. The baptism of Jesus is one of those. The Bible tells us: “Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, ‘I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?’ Jesus replied, ‘Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness.’ Then John consented. 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 lighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, ‘This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased’” (Matthew 3:13-17).

The baptism was the beginning of Jesus’ public ministry. When Jesus ascended to heaven, he told his disciples to continue baptizing believers to the ends of the earth.

Weekly Challenge

Read the book of Acts, chapters one to seven, and write what you learn in your journal. Read a chapter each day of the week and do not forget to mark the corresponding box each time you read a chapter.

Memorize

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3:17
Now that you know more about baptism, do you feel like you should be baptized? ______________
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If your answer is “yes,” speak with your leader about it. Either way, pray to the Lord so that this decision will be special and genuine in your heart.

What does the previous account suggest to you? What does it mean that Jesus, the son of God was baptized? Is it an example for us today? Why?____
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Read Matthew 28:19-20. What do you think after having read the passage? ____________________________________________
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Let’s see what the people in the following passages have in common: Acts 2:41; 8:12; 8:36-38; 9:18; 10:47-48; 16:14-15; 16:32-33 and 18:8 ______________________________________________
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Arrange the following words according to the content of the following sentences: (ordered, baptize, believed, repentance, faith, testimony, faith, Christ)

Christ ___________ his disciples to ___________ those who ___________ the gospel, and it was completed just as he said. Before baptism came ___________ and ___________. So baptism in water became a solemn ___________ symbolizing a new ___________ in ___________ as Lord and Savior.

Solve the hidden words then look for them in the word find.

Baptism in water, besides being a symbolic ______ of ________ in Christ, is at the same time a ________, which is a ritual or religious ceremony. Water baptism signifies or demonstrates the ________ that you have made ______ with God, in which you have promised faithfulness in all things.

Look in the word search for the words that you just arranged in the previous exercise.

Baptism is a very important step for all Christians. It is a public testimony of what God has done in our lives. It should not be taken lightly nor should it be overlooked. It is a sacrament that Jesus instituted for all those who believe in Him.