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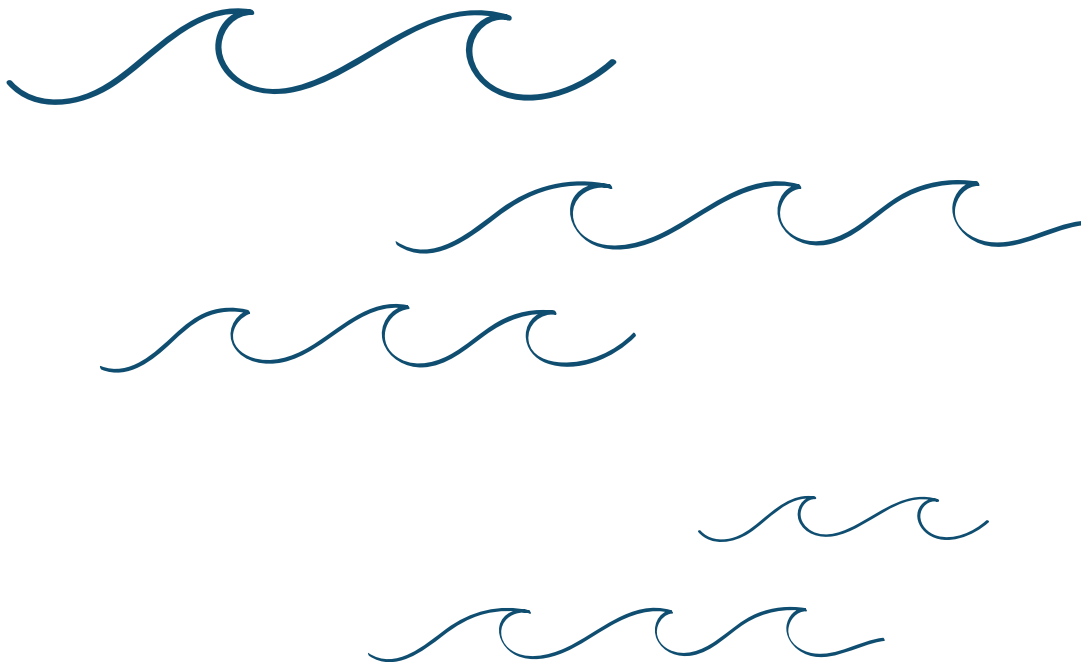
 next level kids

Welcome!

The most important decision you will ever make is to accept Jesus as your Savior and to become a lifelong follower of Him. But what does it mean to follow Jesus? Next Level Kids is here to help you answer that question and Jump Start your relationship with Jesus!

As you complete this workbook at home with your family, our hope is that you will be able to confidently answer these questions:

1. Why do you want to be baptized?
2. Are you wanting to be baptized to please someone else or is this something you really want to do?
3. When did you pray to ask Jesus to be your Lord and Savior?
4. What does Baptism mean or show?
5. After baptism, what will you do to show that you are on God's team and he is ruler of your life?



What is Sin?

Read Romans 3:23

"Everyone has sinned. No one measures up to God's glory."

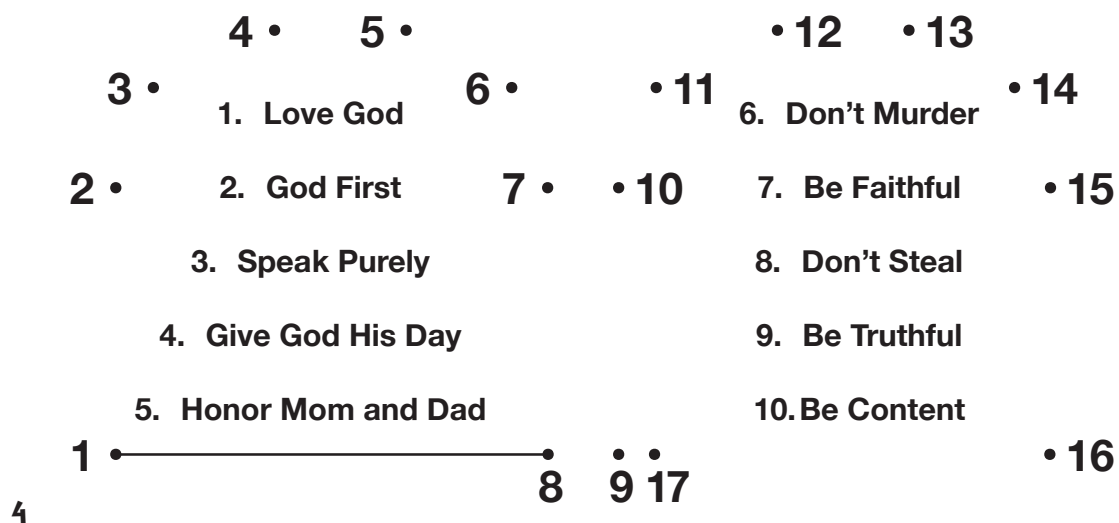
What does it say to you about sin?

Read Romans 6:23

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

What is the result of sin in our lives according to Romans 6:23?

The 10 Commandments



What is God's Solution?

Even though we have all sinned and should be separated from God forever, God still loves us and has provided a way for us to be forgiven.

Read John 14:6

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"

Who is Jesus?

Read Ephesians 2:8-9

"God's grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn't come from anything you do. It is God's gift."

What did God give us?



How do we receive this gift?

You can ask Jesus to be your forgiver and your friend.

Read Romans 10:13

“Anyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

How do you ask Jesus to be your friend?

**If you have not asked Jesus to be your
Forgiver and Friend, you can do that now.**

If you are ready to Jump Start your relationship with Jesus, all you have to do is pray and ask Him to come into your life.

Read Romans 10:9

“If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.



When you are ready, you can pray the prayer below.



**Dear Jesus, I am sorry for my sins.
I ask you to forgive me. I believe that
you died on the cross for me, you were
buried, and you rose again. I trust you
with my life and want to be in Heaven
with you one day. Please come into
my life and be my Forgiver and Friend.
Thank you for loving me and forgiving
me. I accept your gift of salvation.
Amen.**



Let's Talk About It!

Lily thinks going to church will forgive her sins. Is she right? Why or why not?

Caiden believes that asking Jesus to come into his life is not enough to get into Heaven. He believes you have to always be really good and never get in trouble too if you want to go to Heaven. Is he right? Why or why not?

Payton knows she has done a lot of things wrong. She believes that Jesus died for her sins and has asked Jesus to be her Forgiver and Friend. Have her sins been forgiven? Why or why not

1. No. It is very important to go to church but that will not forgive your sins. Your sins are only forgiven by asking Jesus to come into your life.
2. No. You must trust Jesus and Him alone to get into Heaven. We are not forgiven by doing good things.
3. Yes! When you invite Jesus into your life to be your Forgiver and Friend, your sins are forgiven and you have a home in Heaven.

ANSWERS

If you have made the choice to ask Jesus to be your Forgiver and Friend, CONGRATULATIONS! We are so proud of you! Now, you might be ready for water baptism!

What is Water Baptism?

Water baptism is a symbol of the work Jesus has already done on the inside of us.

Water Baptism is a symbol of our washing. When your sports team wins the championship, you get a trophy. The Trophy is not the team or the game or even the winning moment, but a symbol of the great playing that happened all season. Water Baptism is the symbol, of the washing that has taken place inside of us when we ask Christ into our lives to be our Savior.

It is also a symbol of Jesus' death and resurrection.



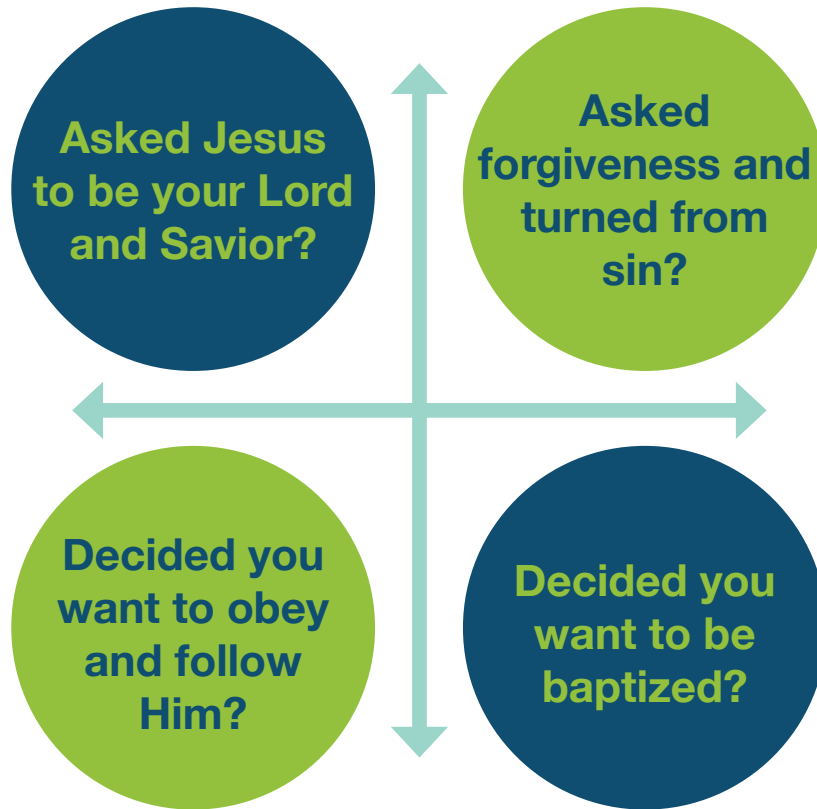
Read Romans 6:3-5

Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection.

From the verses, can you compare each of the following parts of water baptism to the part of Christ's death and resurrection it symbolizes?

BAPTISM	CHRIST'S DEATH AND RESURRECTION
Going Under The Water	
Coming Out Of The Water	

Have You:



If you can answer yes to all these questions, then *YES! Be baptized!*

What's Next?

1. Go to **nextlevelchurch.com/baptism** and sign up for the next water baptism celebration.
2. Review The Promises on page 12.
3. Use the “Tell Your Story” page to write your story at home so you can share it with friends and family.



The Promises

Your sins have been forgiven!

Isaiah 43:25-26

You have eternal life!

1 John 5:13

You have a new best friend – Jesus!

John 15:15

Jesus will always be with you!

He will never leave you!

Hewbrews 13:5-6

You are part of God's family!

Ephesians 2:19



Tell Your Story

Jesus wants you to tell other people about what He's done for you.
Write down your story of inviting Jesus into your life.

When did you ask Jesus to come into your life?

What did Jesus do for you when you invited Him into your life?

Why do you love Jesus?

Why do you want to be water baptized?

