

“Remember Your Baptism”
Understanding Baptism Series
Discussion Questions

1. Think of a time when you were relieved to be finished with some project or effort only to find out that you weren't finished. What did you think? How did you react?
2. Discuss with the group how people think about what happens at our baptism. Have people share some things that are radically different about them since baptism and some things that are maybe not so different.
3. Read 1 Corinthians 9:24 - 10:13. What does baptism have to do with entering a covenant with God? What is Paul saying about the people of Israel? How were they “baptized”? What temptations do the Christians in Corinth have in common with the people of Israel?
4. What temptations do the people of CCCC have in common with the people of Israel and the Christians in Corinth?
5. If baptism isn't our spiritual “finish line”, what is it? Read Romans 6:1-4. How does Paul describe what is happening to us at baptism?
6. Discuss what it means to find our identity in Jesus and among the people of his church? Why is Paul warning the Corinthians about continuing to practice idolatry in the temples, and what does that have to do with baptism?
7. Based on the reading and discussion, discuss why baptism is such an important ordinance for the church and why it is public, celebrated, and solemn.
8. What relationships do you have that keep you engaged in sinful practices? How can you let God use you to be a light for the gospel in those relationships and not be controlled by what they might think if you follow Jesus? Are you willing to trust God and give up those relationships if necessary?
9. How can the group pray and support one another as we live into the identity and purpose our baptism represents?