

BAPTISM SUNDAY

SIGNING DAY

High School seniors can get multiple offers from colleges to come play sports at their school. Signing Day is the day where an athlete will decide, "I'm going to this school. I'm accepting this offer. I'm going with this scholarship. I'll play for this team and wear their jersey."

Baptism is the Christian Signing Day, where a person of any age can say, "I now belong to Jesus. I'm declaring my allegiance for Jesus. I put my faith in Jesus."

THE BIG IDEA: Baptizing is Identifying with Jesus.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How do Jerseys, book jackets, and uniforms identify a person or a thing? Tell of a time in which you misjudged 'a book by its cover.'
2. What are some teams or clubs that you have identified with in your past?
3. If you grew up going to church, talk about your perceptions of baptism and whether they were influenced by a particular tradition. If you didn't grow up going to church, what did you think of baptism?
4. *With your Bible or Bible App, [read Romans 6:3-5](#).*

³ When we were joined with Christ Jesus in baptism, we joined him in his death. ⁴ 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. ⁵ Since we have been united with him in his death, we will also be raised to life as he was. [Romans 6:3-5 \(NLT\)](#)

5. In these verses, death and died are used many times. What point do you think Paul is trying to make?
6. How is the image of baptism a symbol of what Jesus did?
7. In verse 5, what is the result of being united with Him?
8. If you haven't been baptized, how do you think your story of coming to faith in Jesus might benefit others?
9. If someone asked you who could and should be baptized, what would you tell them? Have you been baptized?

THINK ABOUT IT

Where are you at on your own spiritual journey? Are you interested? Are you listening? Do you get it? Do you own it? Are you willing to talk about it?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Baptism isn't a condition of salvation; it's evidence of salvation. If you're a Christian and you've never been baptized, you need to be baptized. It's a point of obedience. What's stopping you? To sign up for baptism, text Baptism1C to 97000.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

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