

What is Baptism all about?

Scott Merriner, May 23, 2021 Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

Take some time to look up and read: Romans 6:4-11, Luke 3:16, 1 Corinthians 12:131. What do these verses tell us about baptism?

Take some time to look up and read: Romans 3:21-25, Ephesians 2:8-9

2. Why are these "salvation" scriptures important in a discussion about baptism?

Reflection and Discussion: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures? Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

- 3. How would you describe baptism to someone who was curious but had no frame of reference or past understanding?
- 4. How would you help someone understand the differences in baptism across denominations and church cultures?
- 5. Share your story about being baptized. How did baptism encourage and challenge you?

*** Note: If baptism feels like a next step for you. That's awesome!
We will host baptisms at ChangePoint on June 20th and have some workshops coming between now and then.
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or phone, (907) 646-4830 and we can figure out all the details! ***

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

- 6. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?
 - ** Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today **