



ASKING FOR A FRIEND

What's the Big Deal?

INTRODUCTION

As followers of Jesus, one of the best ways that we can celebrate is through baptism. Jesus was baptized at the beginning of His ministry and asks us to go public with our salvation through baptism too!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. 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?
2. Why do you think it was important for Jesus to be baptized?
3. If you've been baptized, talk about your experience. What did it mean to you then? What does it mean to you now?
4. Read Matthew 28:16–20. Why would Jesus place such an emphasis on a public profession of faith through baptism?
5. What are some of the things that prevent people from choosing to be baptized?
6. If you haven't been baptized, how do you think your story of coming to faith in Jesus might benefit others?