

Did'ja Know?

Another symbol of baptism is a "dying to sin and rising to new life." Since water can both give life and take it, it makes sense!

🌮 Color That Stuff

Color John baptizing Jesus. What do you think the weather was like that day?



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John the Baptist baptized people all day long. They said they were sorry for the bad things they had done and then went down under the water–Splash!–and came up new.

One day, Jesus asked John to baptize him. John's mouth dropped open. "What?!?" he cried. "I can't baptize you! You're God's promised savior! You should be the one to baptize me!"

Jesus shook his head. "This is the way God wants it to be."

John scratched his chin. "Well. . .okay."

John dunked Jesus under the water-Splash! When Jesus came back up again, suddenly God's Holy Spirit, in the shape of a dove, came down and landed on Jesus! Then God's voice echoed all around them. "This is my Son, who I love."

John could hardly believe what he saw and heard! Something amazing was happening in the world, and it was all about this Jesus!



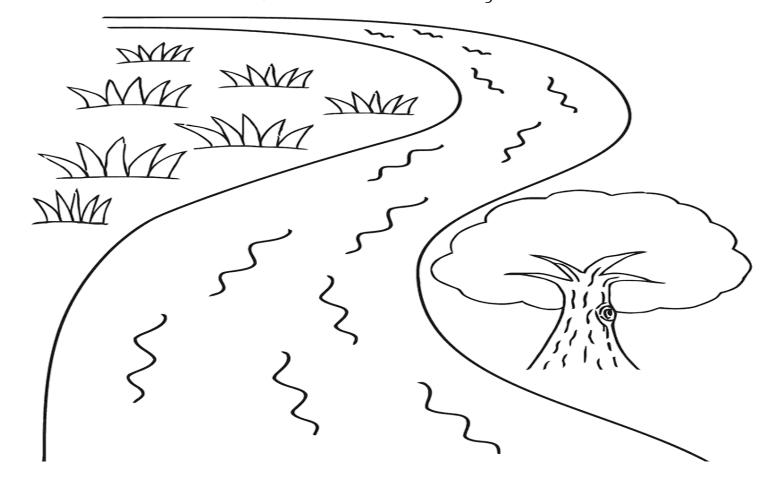
Baptism

The act of God claiming a person as God's own.

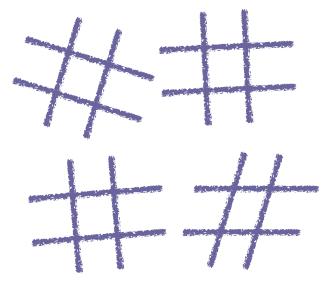


PICTURE IT

The Jordan River needs people, animals and more plants around it! Draw them in and color your picture with a dash of brightness!!









Many churches calculate their membership by the number of "baptized members" they have. Find out your congregation's baptized membership.

REAL TASK FORCE

Ask a parent or adult about your baptism or the baptism of someone close to you (like a brother or sister). When was it? Where? Did you cry (if you were baptized as a baby)? If you haven't been baptized, ask the pastor or another leader what it means and if you can be!

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