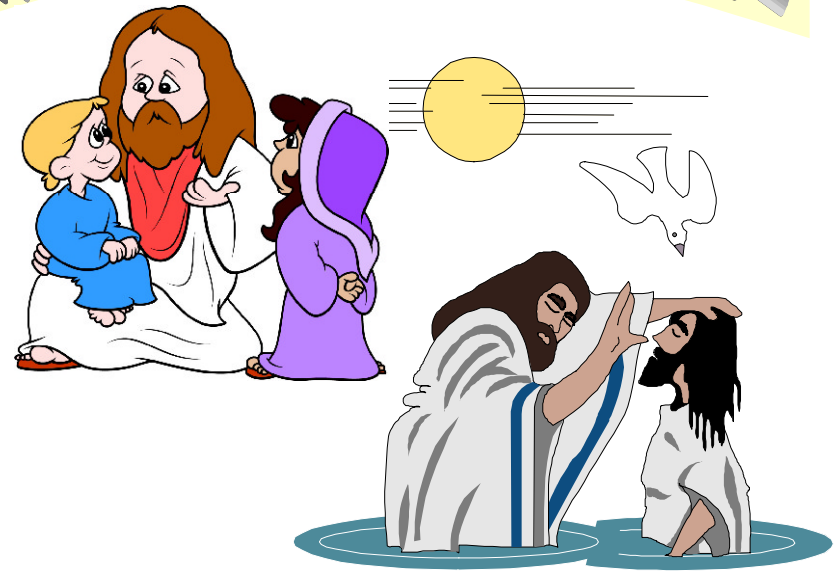


WORDS TO FIND:

(FIND THESE WORDS EVERY DIRECTION BUT BACKWARDS)

- 1-DOVE 2-SIN 3-WASH
- 4-BAPTIZE 5-OBEY 6-NEW LIFE 7-BELIEVE
- 8-JESUS 9-FAITH 10-HEART
- 11-MADE 12-SPIRIT

BAPTISM AND CHILDREN



Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as they. Don't send them away!"



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WHY SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED?



1. BECAUSE JESUS WAS BAPTIZED! WE WANT TO FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE!

Matt 3:16 **And Jesus, when he was baptized,**
went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the
heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of
God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

2. GOD WAS PLEASED WHEN JESUS WAS BAPTIZED!

Matt 3:17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, **This is**
my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

3. PETER SAID EVERY BELIEVER SHOULD BE BAPTIZED! IF I'M OLD ENOUGH TO BELIEVE THEN I'M OLD ENOUGH TO BE BAPTIZED

"Repent, and be baptized **every one of you** in the name
of Jesus" Acts 2:38

WHAT IS BAPTISM?

1. BAPTISM OPENLY SHOWS EVERYONE THAT WE ARE FOLLOWING JESUS!

Matt 10:32 "Whoever confesses Me before men, him I will
also confess before My Father who is in heaven.

2. BAPTISM SHOWS THAT OUR SINS HAVE BEEN "WASHED AWAY".

Acts 22:16 'And now why are you waiting? Arise and be
baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of
the Lord.'

3. BAPTISM SHOWS THE OLD SINFUL LIFE IS GONE AND WE HAVE A NEW LIFE IN JESUS.

Romans 6:4-5 When we went under the water we left the
old country of sin behind. When we came up out of the
water we entered into the new country of grace- A new life
and a new land. That's what baptism into the life of Jesus
means. When we are lowered into the water it is like the
burial of Jesus. When we are raised up out of the water, it is
like the resurrection of Jesus.

(from the Message Bible)