

THE GOSPEL & BAPTISM

≡ God's Good News for You! ≡

★ BIG QUESTION: WHY DID JESUS COME?

"For God so loved the world that
He gave His one and only Son."
John 3:16

Sin separates us from God.
But God loves you so much,
He made a way!



THE GOSPEL = GOD'S GOOD NEWS

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

- 1 JESUS DIED** for our sins.
He took the punishment we deserve.
- 2 JESUS WAS BURIED.**
His death was real.
- 3 JESUS ROSE AGAIN!**
Three days later, Jesus
defeated sin and death!
Because Jesus lives, we can
have **NEW LIFE** too!



WHAT DOES BAPTISM MEAN?

Romans 6:3-4

1 STANDING

This is me living
for myself.



2 UNDER THE WATER

I'm dying to my old life
and being buried
with Jesus.



3 COMING OUT

I am raised to
live a brand-new
life with Jesus!



Baptism doesn't mean Jesus dies again.
It is a **PICTURE** that shows what Jesus already did for us!

★ THE IMPORTANT PART

If someone jumped into a swimming pool,
would that make them a Christian? _____
Water by itself doesn't save anyone.
The important thing is **TRUSTING JESUS**.
Baptism is when our faith says,



"Jesus, I believe You died for me.
I believe You rose again.
I want You to be the Lord
of my life."

Without faith and surrender to Jesus,
baptism is only getting wet.



JESUS IS LORD

Romans 10:9

A lord is someone we
follow and obey.

When we call Jesus LORD,
we are saying,

"Jesus is the _____
of my _____."

He is both our Savior
and our _____!



BECOMING A DISCIPLE

Luke 9:23

A disciple is someone who
keeps following Jesus
every day.

- ✓ Not just on Sundays.
- ✓ Not just when it's easy.
- ✓ _____ day.

★ FOLLOWING JESUS EVEN IF OTHERS DON'T

John 6:66-69

Many people walked away from Jesus,
but Peter said,

"Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life."

We follow Jesus because
He is LORD,
not because everyone
else does.



WHAT I BELIEVE

I BELIEVE JESUS...

DIED: _____ BURIED: _____ ROSE AGAIN: _____

I CHOOSE TO FOLLOW JESUS AS MY LORD: _____



FILL IN THE BLANKS

- Jesus _____ for our sins.
- Jesus was _____.
- Jesus _____ again!
- Baptism is a _____ that reminds us
what Jesus has already done.
- Jesus is the _____ of my _____.
- I choose to follow Jesus because
I _____ Him.



DEAR JESUS,

THANK YOU FOR DYING FOR ME, BEING BURIED, AND RISING AGAIN.
I WANT YOU TO BE THE LORD OF MY LIFE.
HELP ME TO FOLLOW YOU EVERY DAY. AMEN.

