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WEEK 6 Baptizing the Son of God! The Story of Jesus' Baptism

HEAR THE BIBLE STORY

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Do you remember Elizabeth? She was Mary's cousin who had become pregnant even though she was old. When she had her baby boy, she named him John. She knew that God had a special plan for her son John. In fact, an angel had told her that her son John had been chosen by God to help prepare the way for Jesus.

John grew up knowing he was a very special boy made by God for a very special purpose. When he grew up, he started preaching and telling people that they should stop doing bad things and be baptized. People started following John everywhere, always wanting to listen to the words he had to say. People gave him the nickname "John the Baptist."

One day, as John was baptizing many people in the Jordan River, his cousin Jesus walked up. John knew that Jesus was also special. John knew that Jesus was God's Son! Immediately, John told the crowd "Jesus is more powerful than I am. I'm not good enough to bend down and untie his sandals! I baptize you with water. But He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit" (Mark 1:7-8).

Jesus asked John to baptize Him anyway. John thought it should be the other way around - Jesus should baptize him! But John obeyed Jesus anyway. After Jesus was baptized, a dove came down from heaven and the voice of God said, "You are my Son, and I love you. I am very pleased with you."

John the Baptist and the crowd of people were all amazed at what they had just seen and heard.

Matthew 3 and Mark 1

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YOU CAN FIND THE ANSWER!

Questions from this week's Bible story:

- 1. What was the name of Mary's cousin?
- 2. What did Elizabeth name her baby boy?
- 3. What was John chosen by God to do?
- 4. Why did so many people want to follow John?
- 5. What was John's nickname?
- 6. What did John the Baptist say about Jesus?
- 7. Did John baptize Jesus?
- 8. What kind of bird did the crowd see after Jesus was baptized?
- 9. What did the voice of God say about Jesus?
- 10. Do people still get baptized today? Have you ever seen a baptism?

YOU CAN SAY IT!

Hide this verse in your heart this week:



Matthew 3:17

"A voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, and I love Him. I am very pleased with Him."



YOU CAN BE IT!



Character trait of the week: Be humble

John was a special prophet chosen by God to do great things. Many people were coming to him to be baptized. When Jesus came to be baptized, John knew Jesus was the Son of God. John knew that Jesus was so much more powerful and important than he was. He honored Jesus by being humble.

God is pleased when we act humble too. We can do this by knowing that Jesus is God's Son. When we worship Jesus and put Him first, we show that we are humble.

YOU CAN SHOW IT!



Character trait sign:





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YOU CAN SEE IT!



Color the picture and draw John baptizing Jesus. Draw a dove in the sky.

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