

# BAPTISM

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## BAPTISM WHAT IT MEANS, WHY IT MATTERS

### THE POINTS FROM THIS MESSAGE WERE:

#### Baptism is:

- A picture of rescue
- A participation in Jesus' death and resurrection
- A declaration of identity

### LET'S TALK

1. What impacted you the most from this week's message?
2. In his message, Pastor Steve asks: "Do you always live up to the standards of your own conscience? I mean, who does? And if you don't even live up to the standards of your own conscience, do you really think that you'll be able to live up to the standards of an infinitely holy God by your own efforts at self-improvement?"

Why do you think we often feel like we can fix our own problems?

3. Read Romans 6:3-4. What does baptism reveal about our relationship with Jesus? How does that impact our lives?
4. Baptism is a declaration of your true identity. Through baptism, your life becomes bound up in the life of Jesus.
  - a) You are a participant in God's Big Story. How does this impact the way you see your significance?
  - b) You are a member of God's family. How does this impact the way you see others?
  - c) You are a beloved child of God. How does this impact the way you see yourself?

### LET'S PRAY

Spend some time in prayer (for each other, for our community and for the world).

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