



Parents,

We look forward to you and your child(ren) attending the upcoming baptism class this weekend for parent and kids. You are the greatest influence in their life and we want to support you well as you guide them spiritually. This class will help confirm your child's readiness in taking this important step.

As you have conversations at home about what it means to be a believer in Christ, and what baptism means, you may want to refer to the FAQ's about baptism on our website at www.vineyardcincinnati.com.

This public declaration, or way of showing others their choice to follow Jesus, is an exciting step for your child. It's also an opportunity for them to understand more deeply the great salvation Jesus has given us.

Please prepare your child for the class by working together through the first four questions on the enclosed sheet. Bring it to class, along with a Bible, where you will complete the remaining questions.

Also, take time at home with your child to talk about Romans 6:23 and Ephesians 2:8-9. These verses help us all understand that God's gift of new life here and in heaven is not earned by our goodness. The good we do is a response to God's love for us, rather than the reason we are accepted by God. It's all about Jesus!

Thank you and please contact me if you have questions.

God's blessings to you and your family,

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Family Baptism Class Worksheet

Parents: Complete #1-4 with your child and bring it to the Baptism Class you have registered for. We will complete #5-7 in class.

1. Parents, tell your child about when you became a believer and then when you were baptized. Then have your child practice telling you their story about when they became a believer in Jesus. You can write ideas here, or just be ready to talk about it. *What happened? What was it like? What do you believe about Jesus? Why do you want to be baptized?*

2. Who can be baptized? Anyone who is a ...

Circle one: person believer in Jesus child grown-up

3. Read Matthew 28:16-20. Who said we should baptize believers? What did he say in vs. 19?

4. Read Romans 6:3-4 (Older children read through verse 7)

When you are baptized, you are remembering what Jesus did for us. Going under the water shows you believe that Jesus died with your sins and was buried. Coming up out of the water shows that you believe Jesus rose up from the dead. Jesus gives us a brand new life. God's life gives us power over...

Circle one: animals sin people angels

We will complete # 5-7 in our Baptism class together.

5. What is baptism?

- An _____ sign or symbol
- A _____ of what Jesus did for us
- A way to _____ with Jesus

6. Being a believer means two things:

- You have accepted Jesus as your _____.
- You have made Jesus your _____.

7. Certain things are true of Believers or Christians - They:

B _____ **R** _____ **F** _____

Great idea: Call, text or email a friend or relative to tell them about this special time in your life!