

Believers Baptism

Age Range: Year 1 (5-6 years old)

Time: 35 minutes

Note: Aligned to the Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education in the London Borough of Merton

Unit Title	Christian Celebrations
Learning Objectives	The pupils should learn: What Believers Baptism is and why it is important for Christians.
Learning Outcomes	Order photographs of a baptism and add captions to explain what they symbolise.

Vocabulary: Baptism, Symbol

Introduction: I am a Christian and I go to X Church. I hear you have been learning about religious celebrations and I am going to tell you about Believers Baptism and why it is important to Christians. (Refer to L.O. and vocabulary)

Activity	Resources	
 Starter- 5 mins Play 'Simon Says'. (reach up high, stretch out wide, stick out tongues, balance on one leg, pretend to be riding on a camel, pretend you are being sucked down the plug hole, etc.) 'In that game you listened to me and followed what I said. A Christian listens to the words of Jesus in the bible and wants to do whatever Jesus says.' 		
Whole Class (with audio visual) -5 mins • Jesus said that Christians must be baptised We are going to watch a short video of a believers baptism' • Show video	Clip from re-quest http://request.org.uk/life/rites-of- passage/believers-baptism/	
Whole class sitting in a circle- 10 mins	Bag of outfits:	

 'Christians believe that Jesus died for the wrong that we have done, so that we can be friends with God. When you believe that you are a Christian and you are then baptised to show that you believe that.'

School jumper, Beavers uniform, Guides uniform, Police uniform, Doctors outfit, Football kit, Clown outfit

- 'Wearing special clothes shows people something about you.
 I need some volunteers to try on some different outfits and
 we will guess what the outfit tells us about the person who
 would wear it.'
- In a circle, choose volunteers to try on outfits.

Wearing a school jumper shows that you are part of your school. Being baptised is a symbol for Christians to show that they believe in Jesus

Large set of believer's baptism pics and text (see below), for teacher

15 sets of small set of believer's baptism pics and text

- Think, Pair, Share (individual, paired and group response)- 10 minutes
- Explain 'think/pair/share' and read through large set captions explaining tricky words.
- Think (on their own): What does it mean to be a Christian?
- Pairs (at the tables): Order the photographs and add captions to explain the symbolism.
 - Picture 1) He believes that Jesus died for the wrong that she has done.
 - Picture 2) This symbolises that Jesus washes away the wrong that he has done.
 - Picture 3) He has been baptised as a symbol that Jesus is his boss.
- Share (on the carpet as a class): what does Baptism mean?

Plenary (quiz, questions) 5 minutes

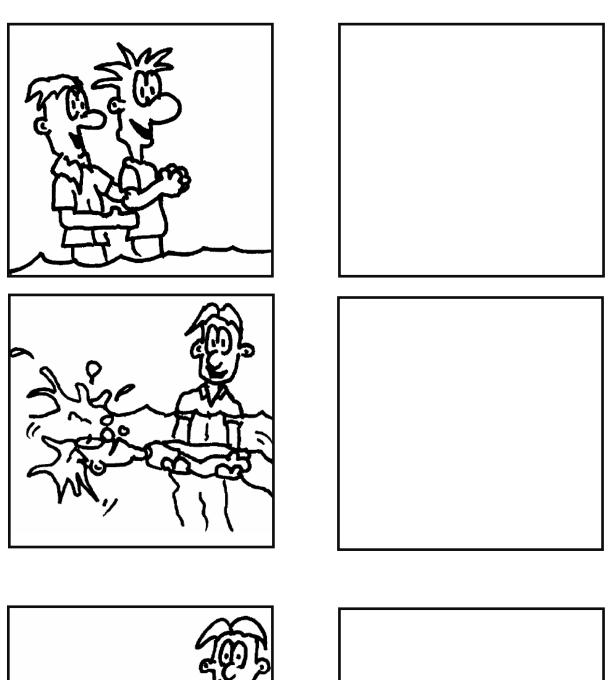
Thumbs up/down quiz

- 1) What is a Christian?
 - a) Someone who wants to follow Jesus or b) someone who wants to follow Simon
- What happens when a Christian is baptised?a) they go down a tunnel or b) they go down into the water
- 3) What is Baptism a symbol of?
 - a) being a member of a football team b) being a follower of Jesus

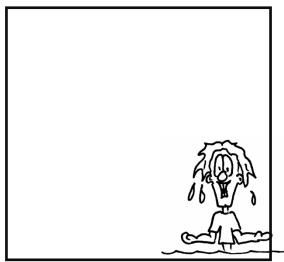
Quick questions

- Who are you following if you are wearing an England football
 kit?
- Who is your boss if you are wearing the Cheam Common jumper?
- Who is in charge if you are in your brownies uniform?
- When someone is baptised, who is their boss?
- That is why Baptism is important for Christians, it shows people that Jesus is their boss.

Believer's Baptism







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