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Baptist Church

Small Group Curriculum
Sept 29th, 2026
Commissioned

Getting-to-know-you questions:

For a new group:

What is one of the best restaurant you've been to?

For an established group:

What is a disciple?

From the Message:

- 1) Does the command to go and make disciples scare or intimidate you? If so, what concerns you most about our commission?
- 2) Why do you think that we tend to struggle with this?
- 3) Matthew's teaching/Christ's example in the book of Matthew is that making disciples is basically just sharing what we know about God with others... (Telling them who Jesus is, helping them trust in what He has done, and committing ourselves to living as He calls us to) Does that help make this more understandable?
- 4) Would you agree that the best way to make disciples is to be a disciple? Why or why not?
- 5) What would help you be a better disciple?

Read:

Matthew 3:13-17; Matthew 28:19,20;
Acts 9:1-18; Acts 2:36-41;

And Or

Watch:

Believer's Baptism by Immersion
Josh Patterson

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/interactive-content/527823/player/b48561b3-ccd2-4030-9a46-263b45baa96d/1d4c53d6-e122-497e-bea3-cb2e732f4a59>

Discuss from Scripture:

- 1) What is baptism?
- 2) Matthew 3:13-17 - Discuss the significance of Jesus' baptism. (Why was He baptized? How does it speak to our need to be baptized?)
- 3) Acts 9:1-18 - Aside from obedience, why was it important that Paul be baptized?
- 4) Matthew 28:19,20 - Do you feel that baptism is an important piece to an individual's spiritual walk? Why or why not?
- 5) Acts 2:36-41 - Is baptism necessary for salvation*? Why or why not?

*Check out this article for help with question 5,
<https://www.gotquestions.org/baptism-Acts-2-38.html>

Discuss from the video:

- 1) What do you believe about baptism? Why?
- 2) Why does Jesus call Christians to publicly identify with Him?
- 3) Josh said that just as a wedding ring points to the reality of marriage, believer's baptism points to our spiritual reality in Christ. Did Josh's analogy of the wedding ring help you better understand the function of believer's baptism? Why or why not?
- 4) Is baptism necessary for salvation?
- 5) Who should be baptized?