

The background of the entire image consists of stylized, layered blue waves in various shades of blue. In the lower half, there are large, white, abstract shapes representing water splashes or bubbles, some with small white circles inside them.

let's get ready for
BAPTISM



Am I ready to be baptized?

Baptism is for anyone who has decided to follow Jesus. It's a special way to show others that you believe in Him. But baptism doesn't give you eternal life, only trusting in Jesus does that.

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

The most important choice you'll ever make is choosing to follow Jesus. You don't have to be perfect or try to earn His love. Being a follower of Jesus means knowing that God loves you so much, He sent His Son to die for you, and saying "yes" to that love.



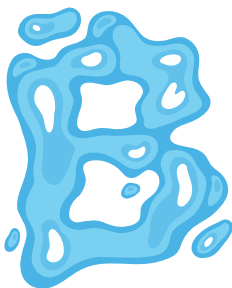


Admit

Admit you are a sinner (as we all are).

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23

**For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Romans 6:23**



Believe

Believe that God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sins so we can be forgiven and have a brand-new life with Him.

God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

**For by grace you have been saved
through faith. And this is not your
own doing; it is the gift of God.**

Ephesians 2:8

**If anyone is in Christ, he is a new
creation. The old has passed
away; behold, the new has come.**

2 Corinthians 5:17

Confess

Confess that Jesus is Lord.



**If you declare with your mouth,
“Jesus is Lord,” and believe in
your heart that God raised Him
from the dead, you will be saved.**

**For it is with your heart that you
believe and are justified, and it is
with your mouth that you profess
your faith and are saved.**

Romans 10:9–10

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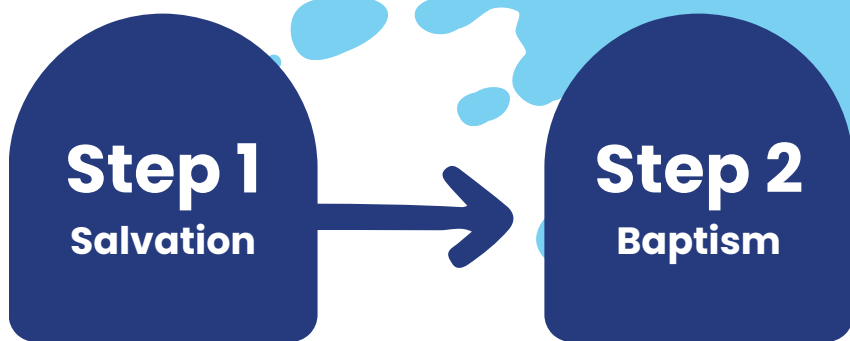


**I was saved
on this date**

**I was saved
at this place**

**This person led
me to Jesus**

Write about your salvation day.



What is baptism?

Baptism is a way to show others that you've decided to follow Jesus. It's the first step a new believer takes after putting their faith in Him.

Baptism doesn't save you, it's a symbol that shows you've already been saved. Just like a wedding ring shows that someone is married, baptism shows the world that your heart has been changed by Jesus and that you belong to Him.

**We were buried therefore with
Him by baptism into death, in
order that, just as Christ was
raised from the dead by the glory
of the Father, we too might walk in
newness of life.**

Romans 6:4

Why should I get baptized?

The Bible tells us that after we choose to follow Jesus, we should be baptized. Baptism is a sign that we have a relationship with Jesus. It's also a symbol that reminds us of His death, burial, and resurrection, and the power that comes from what He did for us. Jesus even showed us how important it is by being baptized Himself!

Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19

Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Mark 1:9

Baptism is a way to show others that you believe in Jesus. It's like telling the world, "I've trusted Jesus to save me, and I want to follow Him!" When you get baptized in front of your friends and family, you're showing on the outside the decision you've made in your heart, to live for Jesus.

**Those who received his word
were baptized. Acts 2:41**

Did you know?

Did you know the word “baptize” actually means to go all the way under the water? It comes from a word that means to completely dip or immerse, kind of like when you dunk a cookie in milk or go all the way under in a swimming pool!



Death



Burial



Resurrection

Let's Review



Believe. We are saved when we believe Jesus died and rose again. Baptism doesn't save us, it shows we've already been saved!



Act of Obedience. The Bible says baptism is something we do after we decide to follow Jesus. It's an act of obedience.



Picture. Baptism is a picture of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection. Going under the water and coming back up shows what He did for us.



Team Jesus! Just like a jersey shows what team you're on, baptism tells the world, "I'm with Jesus!"



Inside Decision, Outside Sign. Baptism shows on the outside the choice you made in your heart to follow Jesus.



Saved. Only people who have trusted Jesus as their Savior should be baptized.



Means Going Under. Baptism means going all the way under the water, just like in the Bible. It shows the full picture of what Jesus did for us.



**I was baptized
on this date** _____

**I was baptized
at this place** _____

**I was baptized
by this person** _____

Write about your baptism day.

Parents

If your child is asking questions about salvation or expressing interest in baptism, we'd love the opportunity to talk with them and help them understand what it all means. Whether they're ready to make a decision or just beginning their journey of faith, our teachers and staff pastors are here to guide and support them every step of the way.

Before your child is baptized, we do require your permission. If you feel they're not ready, we fully respect your decision. However, if you do give your approval, it would be our honor to celebrate this meaningful step with you and your child.

Please cut out the Parent Permission for Baptism form on the next page and return it to Trinity Abilene to give your consent for your child's baptism.



PARENT PERMISSION FOR BAPTISM

Child's Name

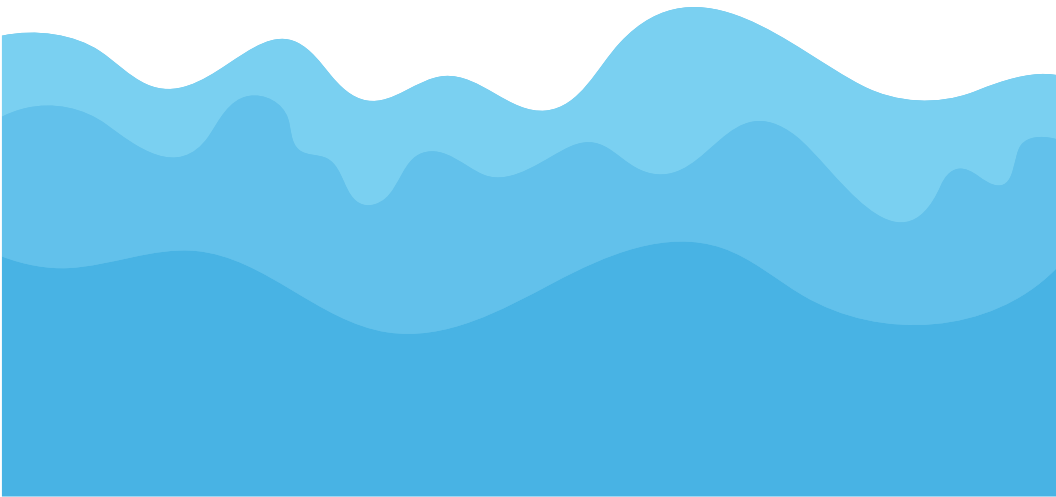
**Parent's
Signature**

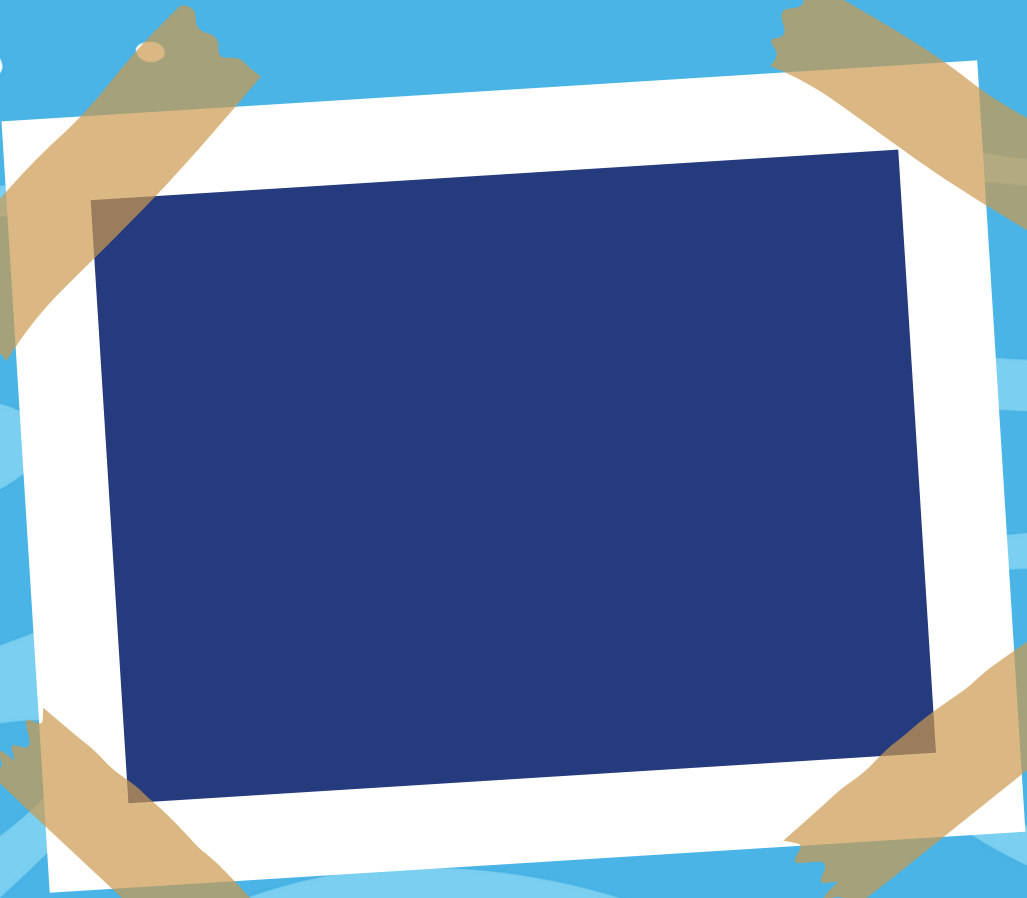
**Parent's
Printed Name**

Date



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A PHOTO OF MY BAPTISM

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