

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Sermon Discussion Guide

Series: Follow Jesus Into the waters of baptism.

Recap the Highlights:

- 1. What is water baptism?
 - a. A Symbol of our **IDENTIFICATION** with Jesus Christ.
 - i. We identify with Christ in His BURIAL.
 - ii. We identify with Christ in His **RESURRECTION**.
 - b. A Symbol of our **COMMITMENT** to Christ.
 - i. Baptism is a symbol of our public commitment to identify with Jesus in his death, burial, and resurrection.
 - ii. Similar to a wedding band for married couples. You are not married because you have the ring, you are married because you made a vow. The ring is a public symbol.
- 2. Why should I be water-baptized?
 - a. Jesus was **BAPTIZED**.
 - b. Jesus established it as an **ORDINANCE** of the church.
- 3. Who can be water-baptized?
 - a. Those who **REPENT** of their sins and **BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ.
- 4. When should I get water-baptized?
 - a. **ASAP**

Now Dig Deeper:

- 1. Talk about who can be baptized and what it means to be baptized.
- 2. If you have been baptized, talk about that time in your life and what it meant to you. If you haven't been baptized, is there anything hindering you from doing so?
- 3. What do you think it truly means to repent from your sins? Is there a sin that you have struggled with more than others?
- 4. What would you tell someone who is considering baptism as their next step?

Respond & Pray:

• Pray individually or as a group and give praise for all of the baptisms last week. Ask God what your next step is. Pray about sharing your baptism story with someone you know this week.