

Water Baptism

MEMORY VERSE:

Matthew 28:19, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." (NIV)

BOTTOM LINE:

Water Baptism Identifies Us With Christ

TO THE TEACHER:

This week we will cover:

1. What Is Water Baptism?
2. How Old Do You Have To Be To Get Water Baptized?
3. Will Water Baptism Help You Go To Heaven?
4. Why Should I Get Baptized In Water?

What Is Water Baptism? The word "baptize" means to immerse. Water baptism is when you get completely immersed in water (under the water). Yes, you have to get your hair wet. (It's okay to hold your nose.) When you go down under the water, it identifies you with Christ's death. When you come out of the water, it identifies you with the resurrection.

How Old Do You Have To Be To Get Water Baptized?

Anyone that has Jesus in their heart can be baptized in water. You just have to believe in Jesus. You don't have to be a certain age.

Will Water Baptism Help You Go To Heaven? Water baptism will not wash away your sins. Only the blood of Jesus can wash away your sins. You get baptized in water after you become a Christian.

Why Should I Get Baptized In Water? While salvation can be a private thing between you and God, water baptism is a public thing. It is an outward sign of an inward work. When you get baptized in water you are telling the world that you are a Christian.



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LARGE GROUP SCHEDULE Today's Date: _____

Lead Teacher: _____

WHO	LESSON OUTLINE	WHAT
_____	1. Participation Awards	
_____	2. Praise & Worship	
_____	3. Announcements	
_____	4. Offering	
_____	5. Motion Comic:	Adventures of the Masked Hero #9
_____	6. Motion Comic Follow-up	
_____	7. Bottom Line:	Water Baptism identifies us with Christ
_____	8. Memory Verse:	Matthew 28:19, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." (NIV)
_____	9. Drama:	Not Too Bright: "Snorkel Savvy"
_____	10. Object Lesson:	Show Your ID
_____	11. Short Film:	"Jamie The Baptist"
_____	12. Short Film Application	
_____	13. Inter-Active Lesson:	Baptism By Water
_____	14. Altar Call	
_____	15. Digital Review Questions	
_____	16. Small Groups	



MOTION COMIC

The Adventures of the Masked Hero

Episode #9

▶ TO THE TEACHER:

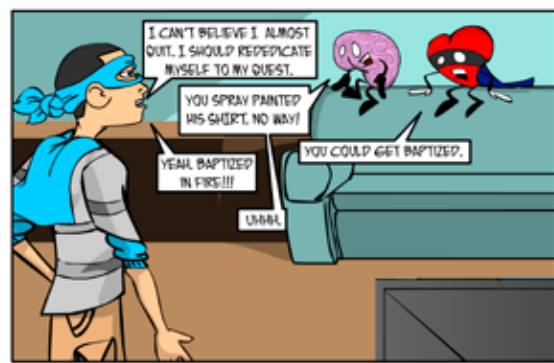
- Johnny had a choice whether he was going to go along with what Z said or not.
- Who you hang out with can make a big difference in what you believe.
- Today we are going to find out what Heart Boy was talking about... getting baptized... and it doesn't involve a hot tub!



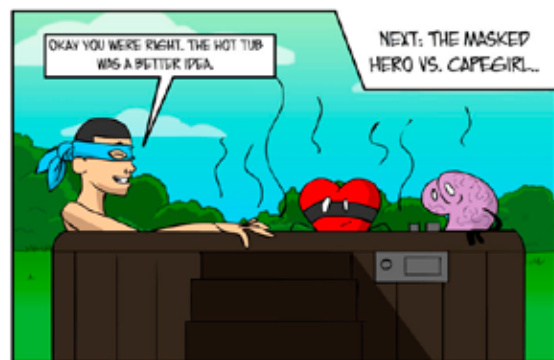
Panel 1



Panel 2



Panel 3



Panel 4



DRAMA

Not Too Bright: "Snorkel Savvy"

TAKE HOME POINT: Water Baptism Identifies Us With Christ
CHARACTERS: Not Too Bright
WHAT YOU NEED: Snorkel and fins

DRAMA SCRIPT:

(Not Too Bright (NTB) enters the room wearing snorkel gear.)

NTB: Alright everybody, let's head out.

Teacher: What are you doing?

NTB: Getting ready to hit the beach.

Teacher: Great. The beach is about an hour away. Ask out front, someone will give you directions.

NTB: Oh no. I'm riding with you.

Teacher: I'm not going to the beach.

NTB: Sure you are. That's all you've been talking about all morning. Water baptism, this and that.

Teacher: Do you know what water baptism is?

NTB: Sure I do. It's that game where there are two nets and you have to try and get past the other team to score.

Teacher: That's water polo, not water baptism.

NTB: Same thing.

Teacher: No, they're completely different.

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Not Too Bright: "Snorkel Savvy" Drama Script — Continued

NTB: How?

Teacher: Water baptism is something we do as a sign of our faith. Once we have received Jesus we can choose to be water baptized. When the preacher dunks our head under the water, it identifies us with Jesus' death and being reborn with Christ.

NTB: (Snoring loudly.)

Teacher: Hey wake up. Don't be rude.

NTB: Sorry, I always get bored listening to the instructions of a game.

Teacher: It's not a game.

NTB: Okay I get it. I have friends that get competitive like that over football.

Teacher: Look, it's not a game. It's something very serious and special.

NTB: I know. I know. You should see how serious Canadians take hockey.

Teacher: Water baptism is not a game you play with a ball. It's a personal prayer between you and God, kind of like a handshake.

NTB: Well that's not fair.

Teacher: What's not fair?

NTB: No wonder it's not a game. If you have to play against God every time, you can hardly hope to win.

Teacher: You don't play against God. You do it with him.

NTB: Whatever. If you play a game of tennis against me and I win, what do you do?

Teacher: Beat myself with a tennis racket for losing to you?

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Not Too Bright: "Snorkel Savvy" Drama Script — Continued

NTB: No. You would shake my hand.

Teacher: Probably.

NTB: The loser would shake the winner's hand. So if you have to shake God's hand then you probably lost the game.

Teacher: It's not a game. There are no losers and winners.

NTB: Look buddy, you don't have to get upset.

Teacher: I'M NOT UPSET!

NTB: Geez. You could've fooled me.

Teacher: You are making me upset now.

NTB: Hey no need to get personal. I just came here to go to the beach and do a little snorkeling.

Teacher: We aren't going to the beach!

NTB: Then where are you playing your game? Is there a pool here or something?

Teacher: IT'S NOT A GAME. Why do you keep saying it's a game?

NTB: I'm Not Too Bright.

Teacher: Of course you are.

NTB: And with that attitude, I don't think I want to ride to the beach with you anymore. I think I'll find my own ride. (NTB Exits)

THE END

**OBJECT LESSON** *Show Your ID*

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: **Colossians 2:12**, *“Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.” (KJV)*

TAKE HOME POINT: Water Baptism identifies you with Christ just like a passport identifies you with a specific country.

WHAT YOU NEED: • A passport

OBJECT LESSON APPLICATION:

Can you tell me what I am holding in my hand? (Hold passport in your hand.)

Do any of you have a passport? (Allow for response.)

If you ever travel to another country you will need a passport. When you arrive at the Immigration Office, they will ask you, “Passport please.” This passport tells them what country you are a citizen of.

When you come back home your passport will get you back into your country. They may ask you some questions like, “How much money did you spend?” But they have to let you come back into your country.

Sometimes there are people who will try to sneak into our country without a passport. If they get caught, they may get kicked out. My passport identifies me as a citizen of my country.

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Show Your ID Object Lesson — Continued

Water baptism is like a passport. It identifies you as a citizen of heaven. When I get baptized in water, I am telling the whole church that I am a Christian.



SHORT FILM APPLICATION: *“Jamie The Baptist”*

Have you ever been baptized in water?

Did you “practice” ahead of time like Jamie?

I think that Jamie has quite the imagination.

Water baptism is not swimming in a pool or the world’s largest squirt gun fight. Water baptism is a type of the death and resurrection of Christ.

When that pastor dunks you under the water what does that represent? It identifies you with Christ’s death.

When you come up out of the water, what does that represent?

It identifies you with Christ’s resurrection.

Water Baptism is a little bit awkward because it’s something that happens in front of everybody, but it is supposed to be that way. Salvation is something personal, but water baptism is letting the whole world know that you are a Christian.



INTER-ACTIVE LESSON

Baptism By Water

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Colossian 2:12, "Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead." (KJV)

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN: Water baptism is complete immersion under the water.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- 2 large flower vases (about the same size)
- 2 action heroes or Barbie dolls, the same size
- 6 squirt guns

CONTESTANTS: • 6 (3 girls & 3 boys)

PREP WORK:

- Fill squirt guns with water
- Place all items on table
- Put action figures or dolls standing up in vase

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Pick six contestants that are 10 years old or older.

Goal: A race between the girls and the boys to see who can fill their vase with water first, completely immersing dolls under water.

SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:

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DIGITAL REVIEW QUESTIONS

NEEDED: Review Prizes (penny candy for right answers)

▶ TO THE TEACHER:

The **Digital Review Questions** are a part of “The Masked Hero” download.

Once you get to the Memory Verse, then **PAUSE** the video.

After you have done your teaching then **PLAY** the Digital Review Questions.

You can turn this into a **Review Game** by rewarding kids for correct answers.

1. What does “baptize” mean?
 - a. Float in the air
 - b. Immerse**
 - c. Pray
 - d. Eat dinner at church
2. What is water baptism?
 - a. When you get completely immersed in water**
 - b. A swim party at church
 - c. When you drink water at church
 - d. A Christian squirt gun fight
3. Water baptism identifies us with _____?
 - a. the pastor of our church
 - b. your mom and dad
 - c. John the Baptist
 - d. Christ**
4. Why should you get water baptized?
 - a. It’s not necessary
 - b. It’s a good time to take a bath
 - c. You don’t have to, you are just a kid
 - d. It is an outward sign of an inward work**
5. When you come out of the water, it identifies you with _____.
 - a. life
 - b. Christ’s resurrection**
 - c. fish of any kind
 - d. nothing



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PROP LIST

Teaching Date: _____

_____ Participation Awards (Large candy bars or prizes)

_____ How many needed?

_____ Review Prizes (penny candy)

Not Too Bright: "Snorkel Savvy" — Pages 4-6

Characters

_____ Not Too Bright

Props

_____ Snorkel and fins

Object Lesson: Show Your ID — Pages 7-8

_____ 1 passport

Inter-Active Lesson: Baptism By Water — Page 10

_____ 2 large flower vases (about the same size)

_____ 2 action heroes or Barbie dolls, the same size

_____ 6 squirt guns

_____ 6 contestants

Small Groups: Water Baptism

_____ Action figure or Barbie Doll (clothed)

_____ How many needed?

_____ Small tub filled with water

_____ How many needed?

_____ Activity page

_____ How many needed?

_____ Small Group Notes

_____ How many needed?

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_____ How many needed?