

READ IT

This week's Bible story is

Jesus' Baptism

from Luke 3:15-17, 21-22



Baptism of
Our LORD

I am God's child and God loves me!

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Jesus
- John
- Jordan River
- Baptize
- Spirit

John baptized the people with a baptism of repentance. The people who came to John to be baptized recommitted themselves to avoiding evil and promised to follow God's path.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 242-245

Spark Bible page 1132

Family Prayer

Thank you, God, for the gift of baptism.
Thank you for calling us your beloved children. Help us to live fully in that role. In Jesus' name we pray...AMEN.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 Do you remember when you were baptized?
- 2 Who baptized you?
- 3 Where were you baptized?
- 4 Make a simple paper banner with all of your family's baptism dates on it. Hang it where you'll see it and remember to celebrate each person's baptism day.



Eye Spark

When you see a bird, remember that God's Spirit looked like a dove coming out of the sky during Jesus' baptism.



Ear Spark

When you hear water splashing, remember your baptism!

LIVE IT

For families to do together

Do something with water to celebrate the gift of baptism. Have a water fight, go swimming, or sit in a hot tub. Enjoy water! It played a part in declaring you a beloved child of God!

For younger kids

Leave secret notes for your family and friends (under pillows, in lunch boxes, in shoes) that say "You are a beloved child of God!"

For older kids

Think of ideas for Baptism Day gifts. Think creatively - what would be a great (maybe unusual?) gift to give someone on their Baptism Day, the yearly anniversary of their baptism?