

**Starting Point:**

**BAPTISM**

A graphic of a blue water splash at the bottom of the page, with numerous small bubbles rising from the base of the splash.

**SO TODAY AT CHURCH A GUY IN A  
SUIT TRIED TO DROWN ME**

**AND I KID YOU NOT, MY FAMILY JUST  
STOOD THERE TAKING PICTURES**

*“Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?”*

*Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness.” Then John consented. =>*



*As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."*

**Matthew 3:13-17**





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*“Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.”*

Ephesians 5:25-27





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*“I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”* Matthew 3:11





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*“He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.”*

*Titus 3:5-7*







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