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BIG TRUTH: WE ARE CALLED TO REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED

Psalms 7:12; Matthew 3:2; Mark 1:15; 16:16; Luke 13:3; Acts 1:5; 10:48; 22:16

BIBLE VERSE: ACTS 2:38

“And Peter said to them, ‘Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’”

BIG IDEAS

- Jesus followers receive forgiveness of sins in Jesus’ name.
- Jesus followers receive the Holy Spirit.
- Jesus followers receive the promise of adoption.

BIBLE PASSAGE: ACTS 2:14-39

KNEEL: LIVING ON MISSION

The Kneel Year is an exploration of what it means to worship God with our all (Luke 10:26-28) and to use our influence to lead others to do the same. We know that as we pursue a life of worship, we will pursue a life of both wisdom and mission. Throughout this year we will study and pursue the wisdom of God through the book of Proverbs and the mission of God through the book of Acts, and we will learn how both of these things must inform and shape our influence as Jesus followers!

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know...

- The gospel has the power to turn the world upside down.
- They are empowered and chosen to be a gospel witness in the world.
- Our salvation has come by grace alone.



Every student should feel...

- Comfort that the Lord is with them wherever they go.
- Hope in the God of salvation.
- Responsible to use their influence to live for Jesus alone.



Every student should strive to...

- Read, study, and meditate on the entire book of Acts.
- Memorize the Bible verse each week.
- Pray consistently for boldness to make Jesus known.



Every student should want...

- To pursue faithfulness in living on mission.
- To share the gospel with people in their lives who do not know Jesus.
- To sacrifice their personal freedoms for the sake of the gospel

STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. We will pray for hearts that recognize that we are forgiven and called to repent and be baptized. We practice living as members of God’s holy family.

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Read Acts 2:14-29 this week and make notes in your journal. Answer the questions below in your journal:

- Read Acts 2:14-21. What is the significance of the prophecy of Joel?
- Read Acts 2:22-24. What are the mighty works and signs that God did through Jesus during His earthly ministry? Why does Peter draw his listeners' attention to these?
- Read Acts 2:32-33. What is the promise of the Holy Spirit? What is significant about believers receiving the Holy Spirit?
- Read Acts 2:38. What is the only obedient response to hearing the gospel? What part does baptism have in this response? How is baptism a response of obedience?

Read and meditate on Acts 2:14-39 this week. Use the questions below to guide your meditation:

- Ponder the truth that part of believing the gospel is responding in obedience by being baptized. How is baptism a response of obedience?
- Consider the truth that believers are adopted into God's family. What is significant about this truth? Why should this truth change a person's life?
- Ponder the truth that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer. How does this truth change the way you live your daily life?



Spend time praying this week that God would help you understand our position in God's family.

- Pray with your small group leader this week. Ask God to help you evaluate your life and walk in obedience to His commands.



Memorize Acts 2:38 this week.

- Ask your parents or a friend to help you memorize the verse.
- Discuss with your parents what baptism means. If you are a Jesus follower but you haven't been baptized, discuss with your parents some of the reasons why you haven't. Discuss what it means to be a part of God's family and how baptism is an obedient response to God's call to repent.
- Meet with your small group leader to discuss what it looks like to live daily as a member of God's family. Discuss how you can participate with your local church. Ask your small group leader for opportunities to serve and use your spiritual gifts in your local church.