

The Baptism of Jesus

Scripture: Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

Most parents have pictures of their children growing up. They have pictures of all sorts of occasions and milestones in their lives. That's because parents love their children and are very pleased with them.

We know God was pleased with His son, Jesus, because the Bible tells us that. When Jesus was baptized a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son. I love Him. I am very pleased with Him."

We are also children of God. Our baptism is an official ceremony when we become children of God. God says to us, "You are my child, I love you, and I am pleased with you."

Prayer

*Dear God, thank you for accepting us as your children.
Thank you for loving us so much. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen*



Craft for this week's lesson

The color white is used in baptism as a sign of purity. The seashell and water are also symbols of baptism. These are used in the craft. However you can decide if you want to do the same, or be creative.

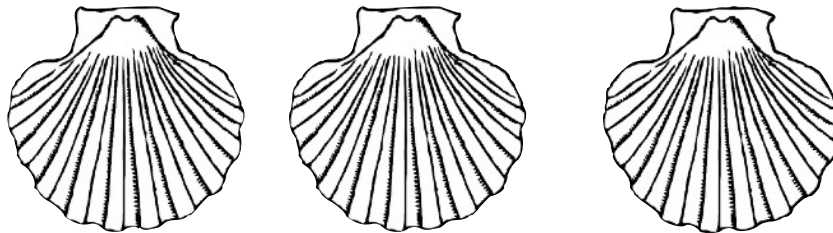
Materials:

4 Craft sticks (dollar tree)
White paint (optional)
5" x 5" poster board or card stock
Tacky Glue
3 Seashells, seashells template or pictures of shells
Pencil
blue paint or blue marker
ribbon or twine



Directions:

(as shown in picture)...
Glue 4 craft sticks together and let dry.
Paint craft sticks white and let dry (optional).
Glue poster board/cardstock to back of craft sticks.
On the front write or cut out and glue template of saying.
Glue shells on to craft sticks.
Draw water drops on craft sticks and color blue (optional).
Glue ribbon or twine for hanging.



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