

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7 Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus Unit 1, Lesson 2

# Jesus is Baptized

Lesson Aim: To see the love and approval God has for His Son and all who belong to Him.

# THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is your favorite kind of bird?

**GAME:** Underwater

# **THE WORSHIP** JESUS AS THE KING WHO IS WITH US

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 136:26.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

### THE WORD GOD THE FATHER LOVES HIS SON

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus was in His Father's house with the teachers.

Jesus went to the Jordan River to be baptized after He grew up.

Point to the Jordan River near Bethany, Israel on a map.

Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Mark 1:1-11. Pray.

Jesus' cousin, John, baptized Him. Baptism is a holy time when we are sprinkled or are dipped underwater as a special sign to show everyone we belong to God. Let's find out exactly what happened when Jesus was baptized. Read Mark 1:1-11.

## THE WAY GOD THE FATHER LOVES US

To get their hearts ready for the coming of Jesus, John preached and baptized people in the Jordan River. He told them Jesus was so powerful that John was not even important enough to untie Jesus' sandals. Then John baptized Jesus. That means John helped Jesus go under the water as a sign that Jesus belonged to God and would obey God.

When Jesus came out of the water what did God's voice from heaven say? ("You are my Son, Whom I love; with You I am well pleased.") How do you think Jesus felt to hear His Father say that?

God said, "You are my Son, Whom I love." That means Jesus belongs to God's forever family. Who else belongs to God's forever family? (Everyone who believes in Jesus.) Who else does God love? (Everyone in the whole world.)

God said, "With You I am well pleased." God is also pleased with everyone who believes in Jesus and obeys Him. What can we do this week to please God? (Love, respect and help others, worship God.)

CHRIST CONNECTION: Reveal Psalm 86:5.

God the Father forgives and is pleased with everyone who calls on Jesus as Lord. They are part of His forever family and His love for them never ends. Let's see how King David explained it 1000 years before God the Father announced He loved His Son, Jesus.

Read Psalm 86:5. Close your eyes. As I say the words God said to Jesus, imagine hearing God say these same words to you: "You belong to me." Pause. "I love you." Pause. "I am pleased with you." Pause. Have children open eyes. Turn to the child on your right and whisper "You belong to God." Have the children pass this whispered message. Then pass the message, "God loves you" followed by the message, "God is pleased with you." How would it feel to hear those three things said to you? The Bible says God feels those things about everyone who believes in Jesus.

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

#### FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Part of a leather sandal tie
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: John baptizing Jesus in the Jordan River
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

# **GOT TIME?**

SNACK: Dove Snack GAME: Order the Story CRAFT: Three-in-One Mobile DISCUSSION: Pleased with You

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: The Wave, Find the Verse Race

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**