

June 4, 2017
Something I the Water
Part 1: Why Should I Be Baptized?
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1. Read Mark 1:9-11 about Jesus coming to the River Jordan to be baptized by John.
*When Jesus came out of the water, who saw the heaven's open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove?
*Why might Jesus have been baptized? Do the scriptures say?
2. What were three reasons given for believers to be baptized? (**Jesus modeled it, Jesus commanded it, your baptism points to Jesus.**)
3. Romans 6:4 says, "By our baptism then, we were buried with Him and shared in His death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead . . . so also we may live a new life!" What does that symbolism mean to you? In what way does the symbolism highlight the difference being a follower of Jesus makes?
4. Ted told about an Irish lady his family encountered on vacation.
*What do you remember from the story?
*What did Ted say when she said she had nothing?
*What do you think you would have said to the lady when she said she had nothing?
5. Have you even seen something happen or change when the name of Jesus has been spoken?
6. When has the name of Jesus saved you in big and small ways?
7. Have you been baptized? Were you in front of a lot of people? Describe your baptism experience.
8. Read Matthew 10:34-37. What two words did Ted use to explain these verses. (**Undivided allegiance.**) Or how do you understand these verses?
What would be an incorrect way to interpret it given other scriptures?
9. "He changed my life and He can change yours." In what ways have you been changed because of your relationship with Jesus?