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Session 2: What is Baptism?

- † Jesus gave the command to baptize all _____ in the name of the _____, Son and Holy Spirit.
- † The word baptize means to apply _____ by _____, _____, pouring and the like.
- † Jesus promised that whoever _____ and is baptized shall be _____.
- † Baptism is the work of God done with _____ and the _____ of God and includes the giving of the _____ to the believer.
- † Babies are to be baptized because they are included in all _____, Jesus invites little children to come to him, and they are _____ and need what Baptism offers.

Major Point:

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Major Passages:

Matthew 28:19
Mark 16:16
Acts 1:5
Acts 2:38-39
Luke 18:15-17
John 3:5-6

Know What You Believe!

Team Time

1. How does it make you feel to know that God promised to forgive your sins when you were baptized and claimed you as His own dear child? Write down a statement thanking God for forgiving your sins through Baptism.
2. In what way does the use of water in Baptism communicate being cleansed? Why do you think God chose water as the visible element in baptism?
3. Read Matthew 3:13-17 and Mark 1:9-11, the account of Jesus' Baptism. What was John's first response when Jesus to be baptized and how did Jesus answer him? How is Jesus baptism different than our own?

Close in prayer thanking God for giving you His Spirit through your baptism.

Family Time

Y Read together "The Sacraments" and questions 239-247 on Baptism in Luther's Small Catechism and answer the following:

1. What does the word *baptize* mean? What makes the water used in Baptism special or different from other water?

2. Who is to administer or do baptisms? Why?

3. Question #246 lists four reasons to baptize babies? In your own words briefly describe each.
 - A.

 - B.

 - C.

 - D.

3. Read Acts 16:22-34. What people did Paul and Silas baptize in this story. What event led to them being baptized? How is believing in Jesus connected to Baptism in this story? Close in prayer asking God to help the people in your family remember the importance of your belief and Baptism in the name of Jesus.

This is to verify that I completed the **family Time** portion of this week's Confirmation lesson with my student.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____