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Session 4: The Power of Baptism

- † The great blessings of Baptism are received through _____ which _____ the Word of God in the water.
- † Baptism into Christ's death crucifies the _____ self and gives the power to no longer be a _____ to sin.
- † We know our _____ is sure for through baptism we have been _____ with Christ.
- † The washing of rebirth and _____ in baptism assures us that we have been justified by the grace of _____ giving us the hope of _____.

Major Point:

Baptism is not just water, but the Word of God in and with the water which along with faith trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism.

Major Passages:

Ephesians 5:26
Romans 6:3-6
Galatians 3:23-29
Titus 3:5-8

Team Time

1. Why do you think it is important to understand that there is power with Baptism? What does it mean to you personally to be clothed with Christ through Baptism?
2. Why is it important that Baptism has the power to crucify your old self with Christ, so that you will no longer be a slave to sin?
3. Read Ephesians 5:25-33, what is Christ's love for the church compared to in these verses? How can this analogy be a powerful one.
4. What effect does the baptismal washing and God's word have on Christ's bride?
5. How does it make you feel that Christ died to make you blameless?

Close in prayer thanking Jesus for loving His bride, the church so much that He died for her.

family Time

Y' Read together "The Power of Baptism" and questions 253-254 on Baptism in Luther's Small Catechism and answer the following:

1. Who works faith in the individual at Baptism? How does this happen?

2. Why is it important that God's word be present with the water at Baptism? What is the water without the word of God?

3. Read Titus 3:4-8, how is the power of God through Baptism described in these verses? List three things from these verses that show this power. Close in prayer praising God for the power He has given us through Baptism.

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B.

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

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____