



Baptism Day 2024 Discussion & Reflection Guide

Questions and Prompts

- **What stood out to you from Sunday's service?** How did you sense God at work in you through the songs, taking Communion, the message, seeing baptisms and being together with others as part of the church? (The message's main points and scripture are listed below if it helps you think back.)
- Eddie was encouraging people to be baptized on Sunday and shared: **"saying yes to Jesus spontaneously is the best way to live."** Have you ever obeyed Jesus on the spot, when you sensed him telling you to act? What happened?
- Another question Eddie invited us to ask ourselves: **"What does your soul need you to do?"** Is there something you know God is nudging you to do (be baptized or something else in your spiritual life)? What is holding you back from acting?
- Eddie asked this question, from last week's movie, "Jesus Revolution": **Do you need a convenient baptism? Or do you need a desperate one?** Is there anything you are spiritually desperate for? What is it?
- Read the story of Jesus' baptism in **Matthew 3:13-17**. What stands out to you in this scene?
- Eddie emphasized the importance of following Jesus' example and God's direction over the advice of others. **Is there a question or a decision where you want to listen to God and follow Jesus' example?** Take some time to
- **Is there anything else from the message you want to explore more deeply this week?**

We hope you'll use this guide to take the teaching from Sunday's service and reflect on it with a few friends or with a group. If you have questions or want to talk more about how to take your next spiritual step, contact us at info@wschurch.org.

Message Main Points & Scripture

- **Jesus built a bridge from the world people knew to the world they needed to know.**
- **The people our church wants to draw to Jesus are part of this cultural moment.**
- 1 Corinthians 9:22 – “I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some. I do everything to spread the Good News...”
- **Going There**
- **You should be baptized today because saying yes to Jesus spontaneously is the best way to live.**
- **What does your soul need you to do?**
- Acts 16:33 – “Then the jailor and everyone in his household were IMMEDIATELY baptized.”
- **You don’t have to live behind bars to be imprisoned.**
- **You should be baptized today to follow Jesus’ example.**
- Matthew 3:13 (NLT) – “Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. But John tried to talk him out of it. “I am the one who needs to be baptized by you,” he said, “so why are you coming to me?” But Jesus said, “It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires.” So John agreed to baptize him.”
- **Good people sometimes give bad advice about baptism.**
- **You should be baptized today because everything is ready for you.**
- **Where do I go to be baptized?**
- **Can anyone be baptized today?**
- **Does it matter who baptizes me?**
- **Where do I go if someone I know is baptized?**
- **Does West Side use baptism robes?**
- **We’ve thought of everything!**