

WHY BELIEVE?

K-1st



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PART 1

WELCOME TO

WHY BELIEVE?

We're so glad you made the time to explore the truth of the gospel and what baptism is all about.

On the next page is an activity called, "The Terrible Lie".

Use a *Jesus Storybook Bible* to find the answers to the questions and fill in the blanks.

(Parents, depending on the age of your child, the best use of your time may be to have your child come up with the answers while you write them down.)

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THE TERRIBLE LIE

Turn to page 28 and read “The Terrible Lie”. Then, answer the following questions. (This story is also available at summitconnect.org/why-believe.)

1 At the beginning, was everything perfect?

2 What is the name of God’s enemy?

3 Why did God need to send Satan out of heaven?

4 How did Satan disguise himself in the garden?

5 What was the one rule God gave Adam and Eve?

6 What would happen if Adam and Eve disobeyed?

7 Finish this sentence:
God knew that if they ate the fruit, they would think

8 What did the snake make Eve wonder?

9 What did Adam and Eve do after they ate the fruit?

10 What had come into the world that would never leave?

11 What did God do for his children before they left?

12 Do you think this story is over? Why or why not?



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When you are ready, watch the Why Believe video and follow along in your workbook.

DO YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCE?

There are two types of stories—nonfiction and fiction (real and not real).

Who are two people from a story that ARE NOT real?

1

2

Who are two people from a story that ARE real?

1

2



“For God so loved the world...”

The first thing we need to know and remember about God is that—

“GOD LOVED”

Write down the name of someone who loves you A LOT:

What does that person do to show you that they love you SO MUCH?

**Can you imagine that GOD LOVES YOU
even MORE than that person?**

He really does!



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BAD STUFF HAPPENS...

The Bible calls the things we do wrong “sin” and this sin separates us from God.



It says in the book of Romans:

“All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”

Write down some of the sins (wrong things) that you’ve done:

A large white circle containing ten horizontal lines for writing.



“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him...”

It's not enough to know about God's gift; we have to receive it. If someone gives you a gift, but you never take it, then you don't actually have the gift, do you?

Believing means trusting. You trust in things every day, just like the chair.

What are two things that you trust every day?

1

2

What are two things that you can trust Jesus with?

1

2



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“...whoever believes in him will not perish, but have eternal life.”

We get the gift of being a part of God’s story. That means we get to have abundant life while we are here on earth!

I get to be a part of the _____ God is writing.

What does it mean to have abundant life?

**Jesus died on the cross,
but he did not stay dead!**

Three days later, he rose from the dead. This proved that he was stronger than death. Because of that, we get to live forever with God and everyone in his story.

How does it make you feel knowing that even after your time on earth is over, you get to be a part of God's story FOREVER?



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-John 3:16

Please complete this page before attending Why Believe Part 2.

HEAVEN BREAKS THROUGH

Turn to page 200 and read “Heaven Breaks Through”. Then, answer the following questions. (This story is also available at summitconnect.org/why-believe.)

1 What was John’s job?

2 Who do you think the Rescuer is?

3 Why did John baptize people?

4 What two things did baptism show?

5 Who did John say was “the One”? _____

6 Why did Jesus get baptized?

7 What does the Lamb of God do?



PART 2

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K-1st Parents:

Here's an overview of what your child learned in class. Please take some time to review these topics and have your kids discuss these questions with you at home. Our hope is that these will be helpful to you as you decide if baptism is the next right step for your child.

HOW am I forgiven from my sins? *Remember your ABC's!*

A stands for **ADMIT**.

When you admit something, you say it's true. In order to be forgiven, we need to admit our sins. What is a sin? Can you think of a sin you've done?

B stands for **BELIEVE**.

We have to believe Jesus is God's son. Why do you think we need Jesus?

C stands for **CHOOSE**.

We choose to live following Jesus. What are some ways we grow closer to Jesus?

WHAT is baptism? WHY do we get baptized?

Baptism is something we do on the outside to show what is inside our hearts. It's the way we show others that we are a follower of Jesus. It's usually done one time in a believer's life: after they make the commitment to follow Jesus.

Baptism is a symbol of what Jesus has done for us. Standing in the water is like Christ being on the cross. Going under the water is like Jesus being dead and buried. Coming out of the water is like Jesus rising again from the dead.

God created baptism. Jesus was baptized and told his disciples to go baptize everyone. So as followers of Jesus we follow his example. God told us to, so we obey him.

During the baptism, you will be asked three questions:

1. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God?
2. Do you trust him for the forgiveness of your sins and for your salvation?
3. Is it your intention to follow him all the days of your life?

Baptism doesn't:

- make you more of a believer.
- mean you won't sin anymore.
- guarantee you'll get into heaven.

