

# John The Baptist

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## BIBLE STORY

The Bible tells about a man named John who lived near the Jordan River. John's job was to tell people that Jesus was coming. "Stop making God unhappy. Do what pleases God," John said.

One day Jesus came to John. "Baptize Me," Jesus said.

"No," said John. You should baptize me instead."

"If you baptize me, we will please God," Jesus said. "It is the right thing to do." Then John baptized Jesus. Jesus and John pleased God.



## THE BAPTISM



Jesus always pleased God. Color the picture and talk about how we can please God.

## Jesus is Baptized

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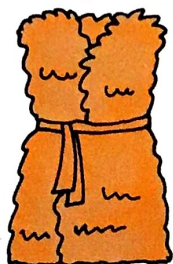
### WHAT WAS JOHN LIKE?



home



clothes



food



John the Baptist told people that Jesus was coming. John pleased God. Circle the pictures that show where John lived, what he wore, and what he ate.



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**Who can you tell about Jesus?  
What can you do to please God?**

### FAMILY FUN

God's Word teaches that parents are responsible for the spiritual growth of their children. There are two ways to raise children up "with the training and teaching of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). First, the example you set is the most powerful teaching tool your children will ever see. The way you model your life after Christ is vital to your children's spiritual development.

The second way to teach is through direct instruction. Read to your child from a children's Bible. Play Bible games. Act out Bible stories together. Think of ways this week to be intentional about modeling and teaching Christ-like behavior to your children.

#### BAPTISM EXPERIENCE.

If you have been baptized, share with your child about the day of your baptism. Describe the location and people who were with you. Who baptized you? Why were you baptized? When the opportunity arises, let your child observe a baptism. Encourage your child to ask questions and talk about what is happening. Together, read the story of Jesus' baptism.

Matthew 3:13-17;  
Mark 1:4-11