



Family

Heaven Breaks Through (Jesus Storybook Bible pg. 200)

Big Idea

Jesus grew up with friends and family.

Music

Whoa, I have life – Little Praise Party: My Best Friend

Start: Puzzle

Supplies:

- Scissors
- Puzzle printout

Prep: cut out the puzzles.

- Work together to put the puzzle together. Explain that today's story from the Bible is about the man in the picture, whose name was John the Baptist. He baptized people who wanted to follow Jesus.

Watch:

Watch this week's video

Prayer:

"Thank you, God, for John and how he told others about Jesus. Thank you for sending us Jesus! Please help us to live our lives for him. Amen."

Craft: John Baptizes Jesus

Supplies:

- John baptizes Jesus activity page
- Girl cut-out
- Scissors
- Craft sticks
- Glue
- Markers or crayons

- Everyone will need an activity page, a girl cutout, and a craft stick
- Start by coloring the girl cutout, then glue it onto the craft stick. You can color the craft stick blue if you like!
- Cut a slit in the activity page. The craft stick can go through this slit so the girl is coming in and out of the water. Explain that John is baptizing the girl, because she has decided to follow Jesus and is beginning a new life!
- Finish by coloring the activity page. Remember that John was Jesus' cousin. **Jesus grew up with family and friends** – just like us!

Pssst... parents. Did you know? The BIC denomination baptizes people three times forward in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



Additional Activities

Bug Creations

Supplies:

- Play dough
- Toy insect if available

- This week's Bible story is about John the Baptist, who was Jesus' cousin. John lived in the wilderness. He ate bugs and honey! Plus, he wore clothing made of camel's hair.
- Use the play dough to make your own bug creations, maybe ones like what John would have eaten!

Small Group Discussion

Supplies:

- Small group activity page
- marker

- Discuss: John the Baptist was a preacher. What do you want to be when you grow up? For the adults, what job did you want to have when you were a child? Or, how does God use you in your job now?
- Write your answers down on the small group page.
- One of the jobs all of us have, no matter our age, is telling our friends about Jesus – just as John did!

Follow the Leader

Supplies: none

- John the Baptist travelled all over the place because God told him to go and tell others about Jesus.
- Take turns being the leader for "follow the leader", walking around (with funny actions and obstacles if you like!) and pretending to go to various places to tell people about Jesus.