

# Baptism Preparation Reflections

What inspired you to want to get baptized?

When did you first come to know Jesus and begin to build a relationship with him?

How have you been growing in trusting and following Jesus recently?

Read and reflect on the story of Jesus being baptized by John the Baptist in [Matthew 3:13-17](#). Why do you think Jesus wanted to be baptized? The story describes the Holy Spirit coming upon Jesus and God expressing His love for Jesus. How might Jesus's experience and example of baptism help us understand our own baptism?

Read and reflect on [Romans 6:1-4](#). According to the Apostle Paul, how does the experience and symbol of baptism relate to the death and resurrection of Jesus?

Read [2 Corinthians 5:17](#). Baptism is a celebration of putting our trust in Jesus – experiencing a new life in Christ. How have you been experiencing new life since you've put your trust in Jesus?

Are there any other stories from the life of Jesus or passages from scripture that have been especially meaningful to you? How have they inspired your faith?

As you reflect on sharing your story with our community, give some thought and reflection to these questions:

- 1) How did your upbringing shape your perspective of God and faith? What influences in your life, relationships, or choices you made helped guide you toward or away from faith in Jesus?
- 2) When and how did you first decide to put your faith in Jesus? What inspired this decision? Who has encouraged you in your spiritual journey? How have you come to experience Jesus as your saviour?
- 3) What difference is Jesus making in your life? How have you seen growth or change in who you are and how you live? Why do you want to get baptized at this point in your faith journey?