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## ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH CONFIRMATION THE BLESSINGS OF BAPTISM Lesson 2: L2)

Year 3 (8th Grade)

After completing this lesson, the student will:

\*Memorize the Blessings of Baptism.

\*Know and explain 3 blessings of Baptism.

\*Explain how Baptism is a means of grace.

\*Share why there is only one Baptism.

\*Know at least 6 baptismal Bible verses that explains Baptism blessings.

\*Realize how we emphasize Baptismal blessings in our church/worship.

## 1. Introduction:

Watch video: (Parents are to meet with students during instruction with this commandment).

- 2. Take out the Baptism shell and write Mark 16:16 on it.
- Blessings of our life; Share the blessings of these;
   \*Driver's license.
  - \*Gift card.
  - \*Dual citizenship of the U.S.A. and any other country.
  - \*Wealthy relatives.
  - \*Membership cards.

\*Social Security Number.

- 4. Write, the "Blessings of Baptism," on the top of p. 209 in your Catechism 4 times.
- 5. Go to p. 209 in your Catechism. Read question 248, What great and precious things are given in Baptism.
  - A. Write down the three blessings. Next to each blessing, write down 1 Bible verse that supports that blessing.

B. What would you say to a friend who attends a different church and says that baptism is something that you do for God and that it's not that important?

C. On your Baptismal Shell, draw three interlocking rings that have Forgiveness, Rescues from death and the devil and Life Eternal on it.

Do 4 out of the next 5. Circle the ones you do; 6......10

- 6. Open up your Catechism to 249. Go to question 249. Read it.A. If Christ died for all freely, why do we still need baptism?
  - B. Write out one verse that shares how Baptism is a means of grace.
  - C. On your Baptismal shell, write (Baptism is a means of Grace) in blue.
- 7. Catechism Questions;
- A. Go to question 250 on page pp. 210-211. Read it.
- B. To whom does Baptism give all these blessings?
- C. Explain, can a person who is baptized still not have eternal life? Yes or No? Explain.
- D. Go to question 251 on p. 211. Read it.A. Is it possible for an unbaptized person to be saved? How?
  - B. What about a person who say they believe, yet refuse Baptism, can they be saved?
- E. Look at The Bible Narratives on p. 211. Explain the difference between The Pharisees and The thief on the cross.

- 8. Read question 252 on pp. 211-212.
  - A. Are we to seek any other "Baptism in addition to the Sacrament of Holy Baptism?" List three answers.
  - B. Find Bible verse 858. How many baptisms are there?
  - C. See "The note" on p. 211, do all washings refer to Baptism?
  - D. Answer: Willy was baptized and confirmed in his church. Later in life, he no longer felt comfortable at his Lutheran Church and joined a large modern church. The large modern church did not accept his infant baptism and wanted him baptized again; after he made a decision, will to be immersed and denounced his first baptism. Questions;
- a. Is this a godly thing?
- b. How does this fit in with this question and part of the Catechism?
- c. How should the church and pastor respond to this?
- 9. On pp. 209-216 in this section of the Catechism is Bible verses 846-862.
  \*Find and write 10 verses that clearly share the Blessings of Baptism below.
  \*Below each verse write the main blessing it brings.

- 10. Baptism Hymns: Go to the LSB Hymnal (Dark Red).
  - A. Use Hymn 590, "<u>Baptized into Your Name Most Holy</u>," or Hymn #594, "<u>God's Own</u> <u>Child, I Gladly Say It.</u>"
  - B. Choose one of those hymns. Write it here\_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Read any four stanzas of that hymn.
  - D. Find 8 references/teachings in that hymn that shares the blessings of Baptism; Forgiveness of sins, Rescues from Sin, death and the devil and eternal life. Write those 8 below.

E. Select two Bible passages from your Catechism, pp. 209-212, Bible verses #846-862 that mostly reflect those 8 blessings found in your hymn. Why did you select those verses? Share two reasons.

<u>Closing prayer</u>: "Dear Lord, 'All who believe and are baptized shall see the Lord's salvation; Baptized into the death of Christ, they are a new creation. Through Christ's redemption they shall stand among the glorious, heavenly band of every tribe and nation.' Amen."