

# Plan of Attack!

Have you participated in any of the following ceremonies?

- ☐ Wedding
- ☐ Graduation
- ☐ 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday party
- ☐ School awards night
- ☐ Pathfinder investiture
- ☐ Grand opening of something
- ☐ Goodbye party
- ☐ Baptism



These ceremonies symbolise the ending of one thing, and the beginning of something else.

The following is from Pr Glenn Coon's study, "The Science of Prayer, it's ABC's" which is available from [archive.org/details/GlennCoonBooks](http://archive.org/details/GlennCoonBooks)

In Matthew 21:22<sup>NIV</sup> Jesus said, "If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."

We can think of this as an A.B.C prayer.

A – Ask. B – Believe. C – Claim or receive

If you lose something and someone finds it and calls out, "who does this belong to?" How do you receive your property back? You claim it. You might put up your hand, or call out, "It's mine!" Then you stand up, reach out and get it. And then, what do you say to the person? "Thankyou!"

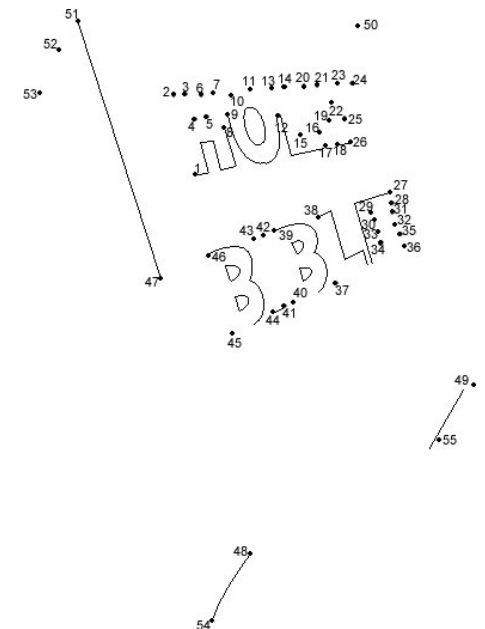
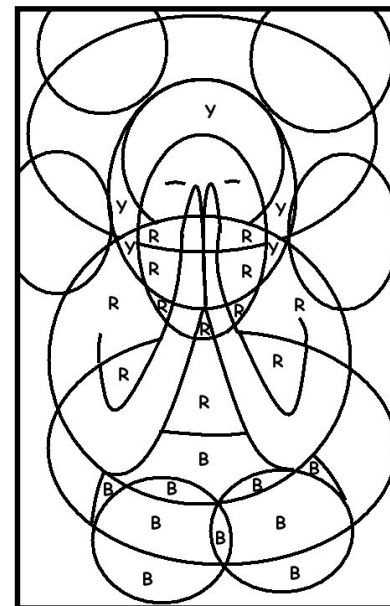
We should do the same in prayer. If God has promised something in the Bible, we can ask for it. Since God has promised it, we can believe that He will give it to us. Then we should show with our actions that we are claiming it, receiving it. And finally, we should tell God thank you.

## Sabbath

A couple of weeks ago, we learnt that Satan is the father of lies, and that most people have been tricked by some of his lies. Some examples of these lies are:

What happens when you die. Sabbath. What is the most important thing in life. How did the world begin. How the world will end. When should a person be baptised.

Unless you do the following everyday, you will be at risk of being tricked by Satan's lies. You can fend off Satan and attack him by doing these things.



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Refer: Matthew 3; Mark 1:1-11; Luke 3:21, 22 NLT; The Desire of Ages p97-113; The Bible Story vol7 p93-108

## Sunday

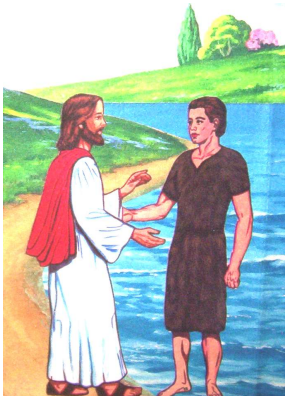
Jesus lived with his parents and worked with Joseph as a carpenter until He was 30 years old.

About this time, John the Baptist began preaching in the wilderness.

He said, "Repent of your sins and turn to God, prepare the way for the Lord's coming!"

John's clothes were made from camel hair, and he ate locusts and wild honey. People from everywhere went to hear John. When they asked God to forgive their sins, John baptised them in the Jordan River.

When John saw the Pharisee Priests coming to watch him, he told them off and said, "You snakes! Prove by the way you live that you are sorry for your sins."



John said to the people "I baptise with water. But someone is coming soon who is greater than I am. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit."

When Jesus heard about John's preaching, He travelled to the Jordan River to be baptised by John. But when John saw Jesus, he said "I can't baptise you. You should baptise me."

Jesus said,

"Baptise me, for that is what God wants."

So John agreed to baptise Him.

After His baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the clouds parted and the Spirit of God came, looking like a dove. A voice from heaven said:



## Friday

Do you want to launch the ultimate attack on Satan? Choose to follow God. You can ask your local pastor, or youth worker, or Sabbath School teacher how to join a Bible study so that you can be baptised. Here are some of the things that you will study. Find the underlined words below.

- Where did the Bible come from?
- Who are God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit?
- How did the world begin? What is special about humans?
- Why do bad things happen? Why did Jesus have to die?
- Why do we have a Church? Why do we go on Sabbath?
- What is Baptism?
- Why we do foot washing and the bread and grape juice.
- What can I do? What do I have to do?
- Why do we give tithes and offerings at Church?
- How are we saved? What happens when we die?
- What is Jesus doing now?
- What will happen at the end of the world?
- What happens after we go to Heaven?

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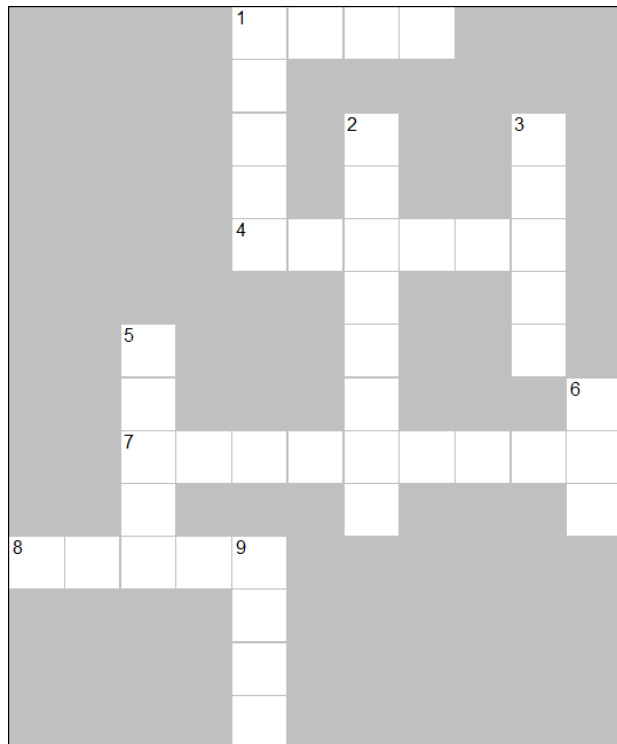
## Thursday

What did John the Baptist say in Mark 1:8? "I baptise you with \_\_\_\_\_ (3 down), but He (Jesus Christ) will baptise you with the \_\_\_\_\_ (9d) \_\_\_\_\_ (4 across). NIV/NLT

Jesus spoke about the Holy Spirit in Luke 11:13 "So if you sinful people know how to give good \_\_\_\_\_ (1d) to your \_\_\_\_\_ (2d), how much more will your heavenly Father \_\_\_\_\_ (1a) the Holy Spirit to those who \_\_\_\_\_ (6d) Him." NLT

What happens when we have the Holy Spirit?

Acts 1:8 "But you will receive \_\_\_\_\_ (5d) when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my \_\_\_\_\_ (7a) in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the \_\_\_\_\_ (8a)."



## Monday

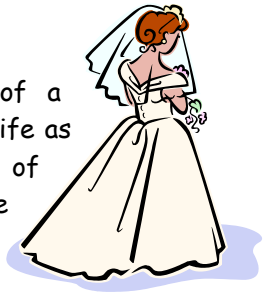
Satan's whole purpose is to trick as many people as possible into sin, so that they will be doomed to die with him. He does not care what he has to do to succeed. To some people, he suggests that God does not exist; he tells others that God is a cruel and unloving God, who they can never please. For others, he mixes lies with the truth, or makes them so busy that they lose their relationship with God.



Satan is very happy when we follow him; and very unhappy when we choose to follow God instead. One of the pieces of the Armour of God is "the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God." Ephesians 6:16<sub>NLT</sub> By reading the Word of God - the Bible, and following what it says, we are attacking Satan; just as a soldier would attack an enemy with his sword!



Marriage is a ceremony to symbolise the end of a person's single life, and the beginning of their new life as a married couple. A graduation symbolises the end of years of study, and the beginning of the next stage of the person's life - whether it is the next level of study, or a new job.



Baptism symbolises the end of a person's life in sin, and the beginning of their new life with God. Baptism shows everyone, including Satan, that you have chosen God - and Satan is hurt. He will try even harder to make you change your mind, but if you continue to use the sword of the Spirit by reading the Bible every day, and asking God to help you, you will continue to be victorious. When you forget, and you fail, God is waiting to forgive you, and to help you to fight again.

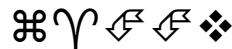


## Tuesday

Why did Jesus get baptised when He had never sinned?

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Fit these words into the grid below. Hint: start with the 7 letter and 3 letter words.

7 letter word: Baptise

6 letter words:

Clouds

Heaven

Repent

Spirit

5 letter words:

Jesus

Prove

River

Water

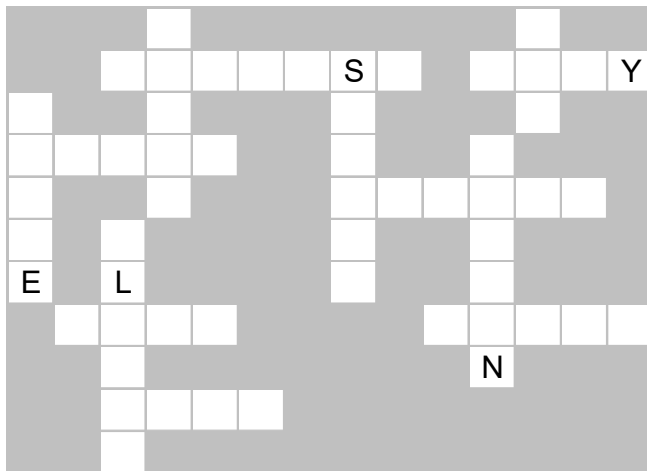
4 letter words:

Dove

Holy

John

3 letter word: God



## Wednesday

The Bible writers, and Jesus Himself, often used parables or symbolism to teach spiritual truths.

A parable is a short story that teaches something important, and symbolism is when something represents, or reminds us of something else – to give a better understanding.

Use the clues to solve the missing words. Then write the words on the lines below to find out what Baptism symbolises.

1. When the pot plant wasn't watered it \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
2. The pirate \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ his treasure
3. The captain \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the flag up the pole every morning.
4. He went to the shop and bought a \_ \_ \_ pair of shoes.
5. He waved the \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ flag to surrender.

Romans 6:4<sup>NLT</sup> says: "**For we** \_ \_ \_ \_ **and were** \_ \_ \_ \_ **with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was** \_ \_ \_ \_ **from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live** \_ \_ \_ **lives.**"



Baptism is a symbol of dying to our life of sin and being raised to a new life with God.

The Bible also describes baptism as "washing away our sin".

Isaiah 1:18<sup>NLT</sup> says: "**Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as** \_ \_ \_ \_ **as snow.**"