

The Story of Baptism



Every person who is baptized
shares the disciples' mission to
tell people about God's love.

When you are baptized, who will
you tell about God's love?



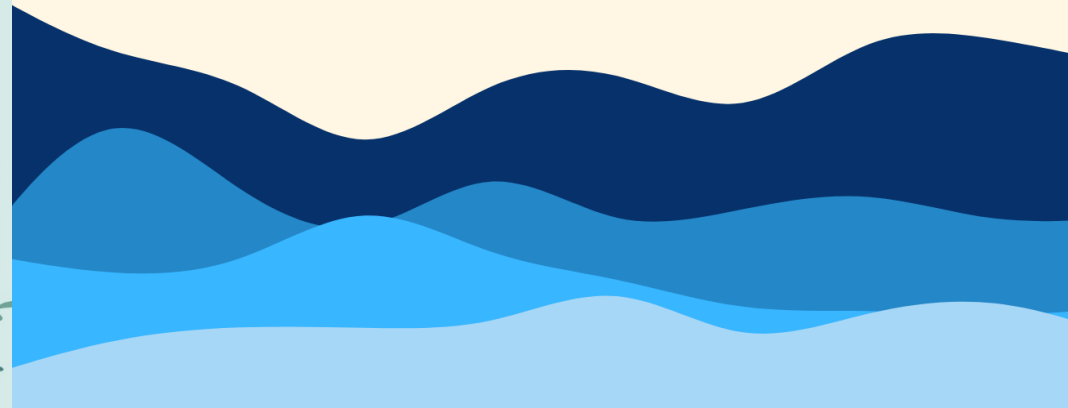
We call these gifts from God GRACE, and we receive these gifts in all sorts of ways everyday.

Jesus gave us SACRAMENTS to give us special graces. The first sacrament is BAPTISM.

Through baptism, God washes away our sin, makes us new, and gives us His spirit to help us love Him.



THIS BOOK BELONGS TO:



In the beginning God created all things,
and they were good.



When a person is
baptized they are
forgiven for their
sins, and the Spirit of
God lives within
them.



Jesus loves you and
wants to be close to
you everyday. We
just have to choose to
be close to Him too.

God gives us gifts to
help us to stay close
to Him and tell other
people about His
love.



Before Jesus ascended to heaven, he told His disciples to teach people everything He had told them, and have all the believers be baptized, so that the sin problem could be washed away throughout the whole world.



God created man and woman, and loved them dearly. The man and woman's names were Adam and Eve, and they lived in a garden where they could be close to God and had everything they needed to love God and each other.

God gave them one rule, not to eat the fruit from the tree at the center of the Garden.

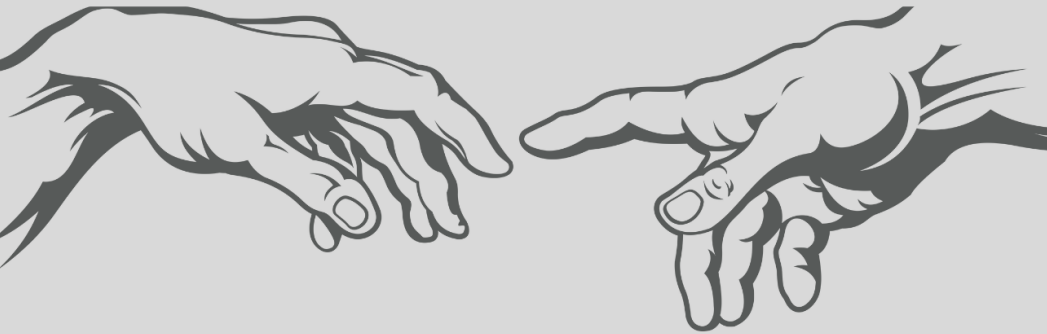
The man and woman didn't want to follow God and ate the fruit.



When we make choices against God, it hurts our relationship with Him.

We call the bad choices we make against God SIN.

Ever since Adam and Eve's first sin, people have had a sin problem.



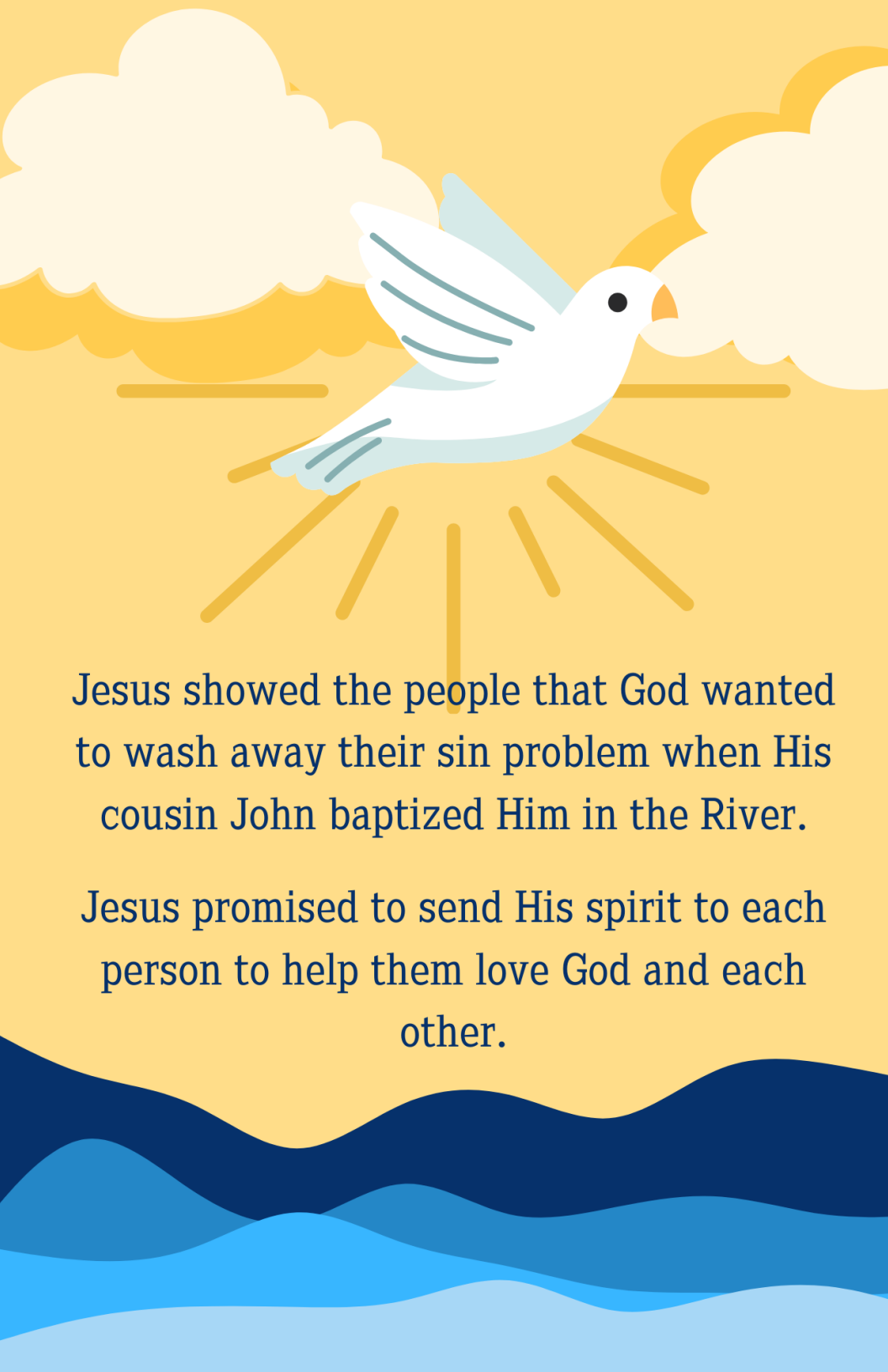
The Good News is, God loves us, even when we sin, and God wants to forgive us. Even after the first sin, God promised to solve our sin problem and save His people.

Jesus knew that only the greatest act of love could beat the sin problem. Jesus died for His people so they could be free from sin.



Three days later Jesus rose from the dead, proving once and for all that He had solved the sin problem.





Jesus showed the people that God wanted to wash away their sin problem when His cousin John baptized Him in the River.

Jesus promised to send His spirit to each person to help them love God and each other.

God always loved His people and chose special men and women to help with the sin problem.

God chose Noah and his family when God washed away sin in the great flood.



God chose Moses to free his people from slavery through the waters of the Red Sea.



God always loved his people, but the sin problem never went away.

God always knew He was the only one who could truly fix the sin problem.

When the time was right, God became man, and was born as a small baby in Bethlehem to a woman named Mary and her husband Joseph.

The baby was named Jesus.



As Jesus grew older He prepared to solve the sin problem.

Jesus helped people to know that LOVE was the solution for the sin problem.

Jesus showed them God's love through miracles and teaching. Jesus also chose men and women to help tell people about God's love, these men and women were called disciples.

