For starters... How would you explain to someone who has never been a part of a Christian church the importance of the sacraments (baptism and the Lord's supper)?



1. What was something that stood out to you as you read the passage?



a.

b.

2. What question(s) came to mind as you read this passage?



a.

b.

3. What is the main point(s) of the passage?



a.

b.

4. How does this passage point to, or speak about, Jesus?



a.

b.

Going Deeper...

5. Christian baptism has its roots in the Old Testaments promises. Read the following passages and answer the question – How are each of these promises/ceremonies fulfilled in the gospel of Jesus and picture in baptism?

Genesis 17:9-14	
Exodus 24:1-8	
Ezekiel 36:24-29	
Joel 2:28-29	

6. In Acts 16 the Philippian jailer's immediate response to hearing and believing the gospel is to be baptised. Why?

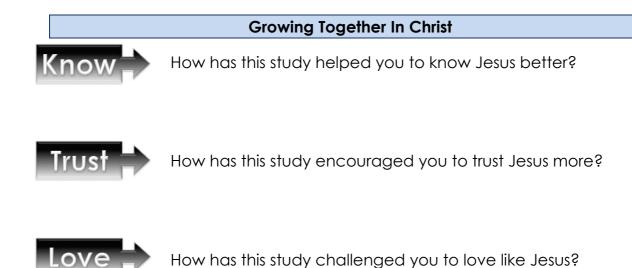
7. What is the core problem that the Corinthians church is having when celebrating the Lord's Supper?

8. Consider the problem in Corinth (Q.7).

- How might one eat the bread and drink the cup in an "unworthy manner"?
- What then is the right way one should participate in the Lord's Supper?

9. Baptism and the Lord's Supper are both a means of grace...

- Why will thinking back on your baptism encourage you when you doubt God's love for you?
- How does participating in the Lord's Supper assure you of God's grace in your life?



Meditation on the Word and Prayer

Lord God, I praise you because...

God of grace, forgive me for...

God of faithfulness, thank you for...

Loving Father, please help me...