



Future-proofing our children

Sunday School Class 3

Lesson Title

I have been baptised

A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the “**I have been baptised**” Sunday School 3 lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1.	<p>Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp:</p> <p>https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</p>
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The PDF lesson that is already prepared • Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc. • The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool <p>Note:</p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2. Please keep the lesson as concise as possible, bearing in mind the retention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children – you know your child best. <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lessons are class specific (i.e. SS, RI or Confirmation).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your SS teacher if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3.	<p>Pray (see the prayer at the end of this document) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.</p>



Present a Sunday School Lesson at Home

How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
4.	Create a pleasant (disturbance free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level Example: Sit on the mat or at a table
5.	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6.	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7.	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8.	Present the lesson to your child by telling the story. You can even read the story if you like.
9.	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning/purpose of the lesson.
10.	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook.
11.	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Sunday School 3 family.
2. Discuss with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct your own research for additional information.



The Lesson

Lesson Title	I have been baptised
Text	John 3: 5
Lesson Objective	We learn all about the sacrament of Holy Baptism. We are happy to be baptised. I know that I am!

Lesson Summary:

The lesson centres around the sacrament of Holy Baptism.

- Martin, a seven-year-old boy, was eager to experience the baptism of his little brother, David. His Mother then explained the steps to him.
- During the service, the Priest will call the parents to stand in front of the altar with the baby.
- He will say a few words to them. He asks them whether they promise to bring the child to church and raise the baby believing in God and Jesus.
- He will take a dish of water to baptise the baby.
- He will pray over (consecrate or bless) the water, dip his fingers into it and make the sign of a cross on the baby's head.
- He will say: David, I baptise you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- Parents are spiritually prepared by the Priest before Holy Baptism on the importance of Holy Baptism and their responsibilities to the child.
- Anyone who have not yet been baptised can baptised, there is no age limit.

What does this lesson mean for us today?

- Holy Baptism is a sacrament.
- Holy Baptism is a covenant (invisible bond) of a good conscience (sense of right and wrong) with God and our original sins are taken away.
- We must be baptised with water before we can be sealed (receive the Holy Spirit).
- The Lord promises to always be with us and be our friend.
- Without Holy Baptism and Holy Sealing we cannot enter the Kingdom of God.



Some questions that we can ask:

1. What are the procedures that takes place during Holy Baptism?
Answer: Let the child recall the process of baptism and guide them if needed.
2. Why is Holy Baptism important for us?
Answer: It is a covenant of a good conscience with God, our original sins are taken away and it is a requirement for us to receive the Holy Spirit during Holy Sealing.
3. What does the Minister do before he dips his finger in the water?
Answer: He says a prayer to bless/consecrate the water
4. What words does the Minister say when he makes the sign of the cross on the baby's forehead?
Answer: The name of the baby, I baptise you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:

Dear God, thank you for another day

Bless us all.

May we feel your presence

Bless the lesson we will have

We ask that you lead us onward into the long journey to which you have called us.

We believe that baptism is one of the most important moments. Help us to understand this act of dedication with clear minds and full hearts.

Send Jesus to fetch us

And may we be ready to meet Him

In Jesus name we pray this

Amen