One Baptism Light & Darkness

1 Peter 2:9-10 Light & Darkness

What describes a person in darkness? (Not a people of God, no mercy) What describes a person in the light? (people of God, received mercy) How does one go from darkness to light? (Must be called by God)

PART I: Darkness

Isaiah 59:1-2 Sin separates one from God

What does sin do? (Use example of wall)
What needs to happen in order for someone to be with God?
At what point in time is a person saved?

Romans 3:23-25 All have sinned

Who has sinned?
Does a good moral life save you?
What can lead to salvation?

Romans 6:19-23 Consequences of Sin

What are the wages of sin? What is the gift of God?

Galatians 5:19-21 *Examples of Sin*

What are the consequences of living a life of sin? Which sins are separating you from God? (See Sin List)

1 John 1:5-10 *Confession of Sin*

What is necessary for overcoming darkness? What is the consequence of not taking sin seriously?

PART II: Light

John 3:1-7 *Born of water and Spirit*

What is necessary to be a part of the Kingdom of God (Light)? What is involved in being "born again?"

Acts 2:22-24, 36-41 Conversion: Coming into the Light

What do we need to believe?
What response should our faith in Jesus have?
What is the answer Peter gives?
What happens at baptism?
Is this the point in time that one is saved?

Romans 6:1-4 *Definition of Baptism*

What is baptism? (Greek – to immerse, to dip, to plunge) Why is baptism the moment of salvation? How do we come in contact with the blood of Jesus?

<u>Illustrations of Baptism</u>

Galatians 3:26-28 Clothe ourselves with Christ

Colossians 2:12 Raised from the dead

I Peter 3:21 It saves you

Personal Decisions:

Where are you right now; in the light or in the darkness?
What are the sins from which you need to repent? (Suggestion: write a personal sin list)
What could hold you back from making a decision to be baptized?