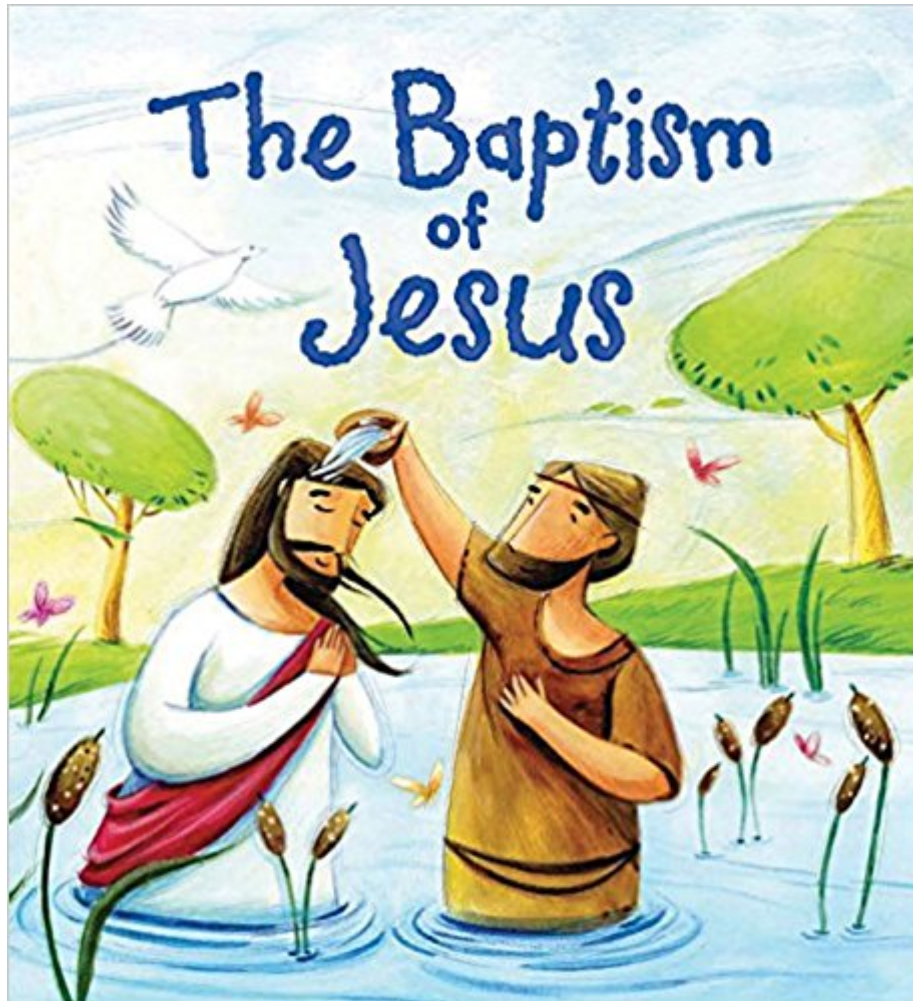




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My First Bible Stories (New Testament): The Baptism Of Jesus



Synopsis

John the Baptist lived a simple life. He went around sharing his important message and persuading people to let him wash their sins away. He told people to live better lives and prepare for someone who could baptize not with water but with God's love. This someone was Jesus and he did come and he asked John to baptize him. Once baptized Jesus went into the desert where the devil tested him, but three times he refused to be tempted. After rebutting the devil he went to spread John the Baptist important message. The most popular stories from the New Testament are retold in a picture book format ideal for young readers. There are plenty of opportunities for spotting things and joining in with sound effects throughout, as well as further discussion points at the back of the book. Language is simple and easy to understand. The detailed illustrations support the text and provide ideal opportunities for spotting things and for further discussion. These six titles are the perfect accompaniment to QED's My First Bible Stories: Old Testament. My First Bible Stories: New Testament includes the following titles: The Birth of Jesus: 9781609924942 The Baptism of Jesus: 9781609924959 Jesus and his Disciples: 978609924966 The Miracles of Jesus: 9781609924973 The Last

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Customer Reviews

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One day, Jesus came from Galilee to the River Jordan to be baptized. "Why do you want me to baptize you?" asked John. "You should be baptizing me." "I have come to the river today, to wash my sins away," said Jesus.

Overall I liked the book for my children. There was, however, a major flaw. It has Jesus saying that he came to John to have His sins washed away. Jesus did not sin and the gospels do not say what the book says. Jesus said that it must be so to fulfill all righteousness ... Not that he sinned and needed repentance. The only other major issue I had with it was at the end of the book. It indicates that Christ's ministry was based on John's idea and that he just began to say what John said because John died and Jesus remembered his words. Christ has his own ministry. John's ministry came from Christ ... Not the other way around. The last issue was small... The book talked about how we need God's love instead of what the Bible actually says ... For example it says when Satan tempted Jesus to turn stones into bread that Jesus said we don't live on bread alone but instead on God's love where the text says God's Word. Minor point but still important. Overall I can't give this a good rating since it states that Jesus was a sinner. The Bible says he was the sinless one ... He who knew no sin. It was very well illustrated otherwise though.

Although the author says that John dipped the people in the river the illustrator shows John pouring a bowl of water over their heads! HOWEVER this is nothing compared to the erroneous statement the author uses when John asks why Jesus wants John to baptize him: "I have come to the river today to wash my sins away." After the 40 days and nights in the desert and Jesus being tempted by the devil the author writes that "Jesus remembered what John said" and repeats it: "Ask God to forgive all the bad choices you have made, live a better life and it will lead to the kingdom of heaven." This is not the true message of salvation. Just living a better life will not get you to heaven! This is very misleading to a child. Included in the "Actions" in the back of the book instruct the child

to pretend to sprinkle water on someone's head and practice the rhyme "I'll wash away your sins." I do NOT recommend this book at all. Sadly this book is in libraries across our country, misleading many young children.

This book was a total waste of money. The pictures were beautiful. But the content dangerously inaccurate and false. It's so disappointing that the story contains so many inaccuracies. It is borderline offensive. First they explain John as "washing away peoples sins" and Jesus will baptize people with "God's love" and that Jesus came to John so John could wash away Jesus' sins. - Isn't Jesus Sinless? Finally it concludes with Jesus finding out John is in prison so Jesus decides to continue John's ministry. ??? I have also looked at some of the other books and they too make me question what the author was thinking. I mean who is this book for. Obviously not Christians. It is so easy to check to see if the story is correct, as it is based on the Bible which is widely available. It seems as though the author was making up her own version. So disappointing as it could have been an amazing opportunity. I've returned my copy.

My local library has the first edition of this book, published in 2013. It is completely inaccurate and extremely offensive to me. Why would anyone choose to purchase a Bible story book from a secular publisher whose consultant specializes in world religions - as opposed to hiring a Christian consultant? There are inaccuracies and upside-down themes in each of the books in this series. This one obviously is the worst, since it teaches children that Jesus was sinful and needed John's help to become clean. The new edition is apparently better but they should all be in the trash bin. There are many other choices out there!

This is a blasphemous book! I can't believe how inaccurate the story is....from beginning to end. Just like the other reviews stated, it's not based on what the Bible clearly says. I got this as a set with 11 other Bible stories by the same author. This is the only one that was wholly erroneous. I do have to say that the illustrations are beautiful. But that's irrelevant when the story is incorrect. This is not a Christian book.

Many of the things mentioned in the reviews above are in the book I have, but (maybe because of the feedback from others) my version has Jesus saying that he is there to be baptized because it is right to do. Improved, but there are still other inaccuracies.

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