

# Baptism Preparation Treasure Hunt

Preparing a child for baptism is a very important task. As a parent, I wanted to prepare my child for baptism. I wanted my child to study and learn the Articles of Faith and the doctrines they teach. I also wanted him to be ready to become a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and be prepared to make a special covenant with Heavenly Father. I created a baptism preparation treasure hunt that correlates with the thirteen Articles of Faith. First, start a month before your child's seventh birthday. Choose a day each week to complete each week's assignment.

Here is an outline of the week's assignment for each month:



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Week 1: Article of Faith packet

Week 2: Read a Friends talk or book on Baptism

Week 3: Choose a video to watch or song to listen to.

Week 4: 52 Things to do to prepare for Baptism checklist.

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I know that preparing your child for baptism is a big responsibility but also a rewarding experience. I enjoyed creating this preparation guide to help others as well as my own family. I know that *for ye are prepared ye shall not fear.* (D&C 38:30).

I also wanted to be prepared for my son's baptism and wanted him to have a positive experience. I wanted him to remember the importance of preparing himself spiritually. I wanted him to remember and never forget his special day, a day he will take two important steps toward his Heavenly Home-Baptism and receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost. I hope this Baptism Preparation Treasure Hunt will help you and your child prepare for baptism.

*What you will need:*

- *Stickers*
- *Reward prizes (dollar store)*
- *Folder*

- *Page protectors*
- *Treasure map*
- *Articles of Faith packets (13)*
- *Treasure box prizes*
- *Printer*
- *52 Things to do to prepare for baptism checklist*

*Instructions for Treasure Map:*

Avast ye, scallywags. Time to plunder on this Baptism Preparation Treasure Hunt. Join us and yer fellow pirates for an adventure as ye embark on the path to find the treasure.

This will take thirteen months to complete so start a month before your child's seventh birthday. As your child completes each week's assignment he/she can add a sticker to each dotted line (there are four dotted lines between each number to represent each week). After your child completes each month's assignments reward him/her with a small prize (dollar store prizes). Each month he/she will also memorize an Article of Faith. Once he/she has completed the Article of Faith packet, memorized the Article of Faith and says it out loud without looking, let him/her take a candy from the candy jar or prize box.

When your child has completed all thirteen numbers, present a treasure box (gift box, shoe box, etc). Items in the treasure box may include a white towel, journal, pen, Baptism book, new tie, white handkerchief, white pillowcase, set of scriptures or a white bracelet.

Your child is now ready and prepared to enter the waters of Baptism which is a wonderful treasure he/she will receive.

*Instructions for Week 1: Articles of Faith packet:*

There are thirteen Articles of Faith packets. Each packet should be completed on the first week of each month. Each Article of Faith includes the following:

- Words
- Write your words page
- Treasure Hunt Race
- The Article of Faith (Read three times)
- Write out the Article of Faith page
- The Article of Faith 8x11 page

Repeat the Article of Faith out loud (without looking) and return completed packet to parents on Friday for a prize (candy jar or small dollar store prize).

*Instructions for Week 2: Read a Friends talk or book on Baptism:*

Here is a list of talks and books on Baptism. Choose one or two books/talks on the second week of each month.

- [%All Clean+](#) (September 2007 *Friend*)  
*On his sister's baptism day, James wishes he could be baptized again.*
- [%Alma Baptizes+](#) (July 2012 *Friend*)  
*A retelling of this Book of Mormon story.*
- [%Alma Baptizes Many People+](#) (April 2016 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*A retelling for young children about Alma the Elder repenting, teaching others, and baptizing them. Includes a coloring page.*
- [%Baptism+](#) (January 2003 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*Elder Robert D. Hales of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles says baptism is one of the most significant experiences we have in life.*
- [%A Baptism Blessing+](#) (June 2013 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*Trevor is afraid to be baptized because going under water makes him nervous.*
- [%Baptism Day, Temple Day+](#) (March 2008 *Friend*)  
*Alison is baptized and a few months later her family is sealed in the temple.*
- [%Baptism Sign+](#) (May 2002 *Friend*)  
*Cora chooses to be baptized even though she is afraid of water.*
- [%Being a Witness for God+](#) (December 2003 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*President Henry B. Eyring teaches that we promise at baptism to be witnesses for God.*
- [%Can I Be Baptized Too?+](#) (October 2012 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*Six-year-old Paulo is sad when the missionaries tell him he is too young to be baptized, but he learns he can still share his testimony.*
- [%Cartoon Choice+](#) (March 2015 *Friend*)  
*A boy decides to draw instead of watch an inappropriate show with his classmates.*
- [%Clean Again+](#) (October 2006 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*A girl learns an important lesson about repentance when she makes a mistake.*
- [%The Day I Really Felt Loved+](#) (June 2013 *Friend*)  
*Breanne shares the experience of her baptism.*
- [%A Day to Remember+](#) (May 2009 *Friend*)  
*After he listens to a member of the bishopric share the story of his baptism, Peter vows to always remember his own special baptismal day.*
- [%Even Great-Grandmas Can Be Baptized+](#) (August 2008 *Friend*)  
*Becky's 88-year-old great-grandmother is baptized.*
- [%The First Principles and Ordinances of the Gospel Make It Possible for Me to Live with God Again+](#) (June 2011 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*Overview of the first principles and ordinances of the gospel. Includes an activity to make a mobile with the four principles and ordinances.*
- [%Invitation to a Baptism+](#) (October 2007 *Friend*)  
*Gideon teaches his music teacher about the age of accountability.*
- [%Jacob's Testimony+](#) (February 2007 *Friend*)  
*A young boy worries that he is not good enough to be baptized.*
- [%Journey to Baptism+](#) (October 2006 *Liahona and Friend*)  
*Children from around the world share how they prepared for baptism.*
- [%Karisa's Questions+](#) (May 2012 *Friend*)  
*Karisa has never been to church, but she has lots of questions when her friend is baptized.*

- [Letters from Grandma Whittle+](#) (February 2015 *Friend* and *Liahona*)  
*Read about how Elder Richard G. Scott's grandmother was a good example to him.*
- [Logan's Baptism+](#) (July 2005 *Liahona* and *Friend*)  
*Logan's brother teaches him the steps of baptism with a homemade pathway.*
- [My Big Decision+](#) (June 2011 *Liahona* and *Friend*)  
*After the missionaries invite her to be baptized, Nicole is nervous about the responsibility that comes with baptism.*
- [My Decision to Be Baptized+](#) (April 2006 *Liahona* and *Friend*)  
*A 9-year-old boy from Washington shares how he prepared for his baptism and how his baptism has helped him be a better person.*
- [Our Page+](#) (July 2010 *Liahona*)  
*This page features the testimony of a boy from Taiwan who was nervous about being baptized.*
- [Our Page+](#) (January 2011 *Liahona*)  
*This page features the testimony of a girl from Switzerland who was baptized on Easter Sunday.*
- [Our Page+](#) (February 2011 *Liahona*)  
*This page features the testimony of a girl from Costa Rica who describes how happy she felt when she was baptized.*
- [Questions and Answers about Baptism+](#) (August 2008 *Friend*)  
*Answers to some common questions children have about baptism.*
- [Remembering a Special Day+](#) (May 2012 *Friend*)  
*Allison from Tennessee talks about her baptism and how she invited non-member friends to come.*
- [The Two-Month Wait+](#) (April 2012 *Friend*)  
*Lizzie eagerly prepares for her baptism by trying harder to choose the right.*
- [What My Father Gave Me+](#) (November 2012 *Friend*)  
*After they attend a baptism together, Chris's dad joins the Church and baptizes Chris. Offers advice for children with less active parents.*
- [What promises do we make at baptism?+](#) (June 2016 *Liahona* and *Friend*)  
*Elder Neil L. Andersen tells about the covenants we make at baptism. Includes a short biography about Elder Andersen.*
- [What to Do Now?+](#) (October 2006 *Liahona* and *Friend*)  
*Ideas for how to live righteously after your baptism.*
- [Where Is Isabelle?+](#) (January 2011 *Liahona* and *Friend*)  
*A girl invites her schoolteacher to her baptism and gives her a copy of the Book of Mormon.*
- [Who Will Baptize Me?+](#) (June 2016 *Friend*)  
*Margo isn't sure she wants to be baptized because her dad can't baptize her.*
- [Would Baptism Change Me?+](#) (August 2013 *Friend*)  
*Elder Bradley D. Foster of the Seventy shares the story of his baptism.*
- *Book of Mormon Stories*
- *Ites and Bible Ites by David Butler*
- *The Testimony Glove by Kristen M. Oaks and JoAnn F. Phillips*
- *How does the Holy Ghost make me feel and What are the Promises I Make by Michele Leigh Carnesecca*

- White Shirts & White Dresses by Deborah Pace Rowley
- I Will Go I will Do by Toni Sorenson
- The Not Even Once Club by Wendy Watson Nelson
- My First Book of Mormon Stories Retold by Deanna Draper Buck
- The Sacrament by John Bytheway
- Book of Mormon ABC book by Val Chadwick Bagley and Amy Mullins

*Instructions for Week 3: Choose a video to watch or song to listen to:*

Here is a list of videos and songs on baptism. Choose one or two on the third week to watch or listen to.

- [Video: The Baptism of Jesus](#)
- [Video: %One in a Million+ Allison, from Tennessee](#)
- [Video: %One in a Million+ Clara, from Denmark](#)
- [Video: %One in a Million+ Joey, from Alaska](#)
- [Video: %One in a Million+ Quintuplets from Texas](#)
- [Video: %One in a Million+ Martins, from Nigeria](#)
- [Video: %One in a Million+ Pascal, from Australia](#)
- I want to be Baptized
- Baptism
- When I am Baptized
- I Like My Birthdays
- The Fourth Article of Faith
- This is My Beloved Son
- When Jesus was Baptized

*Instructions for week 4: 52 Things to do to prepare for Baptism checklist:*

Choose 1-3 activities from the 52 Things to do to prepare for Baptism checklist on the fourth week of each month. Another idea is to complete one activity per week to complete the Baptism checklist.