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3. When Israel was delivered by God through the waters of the Red Sea, they were not just saved, their identity changed. How does this affect our understanding of what happens in baptism for us?
4. What changes for us when we start to think about living the baptized life?
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6. Read Psalm 106.9 and Acts 2.32-33; 36. God led Israel through the waters of the Red Sea into new life. Their salvation and deliverance wasn't by their power, it was only by the power of God. In the same way, how is our baptism all about what God has done and is doing in our lives in that moment?
7. Close your time together by praying for God to help us be the kind of church that is living the baptized life, living different, because of Jesus. Also, pray for those who need to have their identity transformed through baptism.



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