

# THE MEANS OF GRACE

## THE BLESSINGS OF BAPTISM

### ACTIVITY

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**Theme:** In Baptism, God's people put on Christ. By faith through Baptism, God imparts to us the forgiveness of sins, clothing us with the righteousness of Christ.

**Materials:** An old T-shirt, markers, a large sweater or sweatshirt

**Procedure:** (3–5 minutes)

Allow students to deface an old T-shirt by ripping it and/or by scribbling on it with markers. Ask a student volunteer to put on the old T-shirt. Direct him or her to stand before the group. Comment that the rips and marks represent our sin.

Say, **Let this remind you of your Baptism.** Hand the volunteer the large sweater or sweatshirt, and direct him or her to put it on. Comment that Christ's love covers the multitude of our sin. He forgives us. When we are baptized, we put on Christ.

You may want to mention a related practice of the church. In some congregations, a baptized infant is given a white garment as part of the rite to show that Christ has taken away the child's sin and dressed the child in His perfect righteousness.