

High School**October 29, 2017**

Promises in a Hotel Pool

Marcus Johnson, a wide receiver for the Philadelphia Eagles, was recently baptized in a North Carolina swimming pool. Several of his teammates gathered around the pool to witness the moment.

Johnson tweeted a photo of the event with this description: “First time being Baptized! Corporate Worship is a beautiful thing!! Cleaned & Reborn in JESUS name!! #WholeHeartedly.”

Five teammates—linebackers Jordan Hicks, Mychal Kendricks, and Kamu Grugier-Hill, and wide receivers Paul Turner and David Watford—were baptized in the Philadelphia Eagles’ recovery pool late last year.

Discussion Questions

- Talk about Marcus Johnson’s Baptism. In your own words, what does his Baptism mean? What changed when he was baptized? What does God do through His Baptism?
- In Jeremiah 31, God makes a new covenant with His people. Talk about how Baptism is also God’s covenant with us. Why is this a new covenant?
- Describe the day you were baptized. What details do you know about the day? What is your Baptism birthday? Who are your godparents? What is necessary for a Baptism ceremony? Why?
- Today is Reformation Sunday. What did Martin Luther teach about Baptism? Who is doing the work in Baptism—the person receiving the Sacrament or the Holy Spirit?