

## KS1 Unit 5, Lesson 5: Christian Wedding

**Context:** Previously pupils will have thought about the place of Baptism and Confirmation in the life of a Christian. Now they will look at a Christian Wedding.

**Overview:**

- Children will understand the importance of baptism to Christians.
- Children will know that some Christians choose to have their children baptised as babies and some Christians wait until they are able to make their own profession of faith.
- Children will be able to link the practise of baptism to the story of Jesus being baptised, and to Jesus' command to baptise new believers

**Essential core -**

**Resources:**

Christian wedding service sheet - attached.

<http://request.org.uk/life/rites-of-passage/marriage>

wedding pictures either online or printed.

**Vocabulary**

Christian; relationship; Jesus, Bible, baptism, christening

**INTRODUCTION:**

Today Peter has brought a box of confetti. He is going to a wedding of friends in his church.

Ask the children if any have been to a wedding. What happened? Why?

**CELEBRATE:**

Show video from RE:quest of a Christian wedding. Use the shorter of the two videos, concentrating on the promises that the couple make.

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Christians believe that they are making these promises to God as well as to each other.

Pupils can re-enact the vows within the marriage service using the attached sheet. You will need a bride, groom, father, best man, vicar and congregation. Afterwards pupils can ask the actors questions. How did they feel? What are they promising?

**DISCUSSION & PLENARY:**

Look at a number of pictures of Christian weddings. Discuss: What is happening? How do they feel? Why is this such an important day?