

A Tucker Barnes Adventure

BIG DECISION

Mrs. Robbins' Question Caught Kabibi Off-Guard





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A comic panel showing two girls in a hallway with lockers. The girl on the left has pigtails and is wearing a purple shirt. The girl on the right has short dark hair and is wearing a pink shirt. They are both smiling and talking.

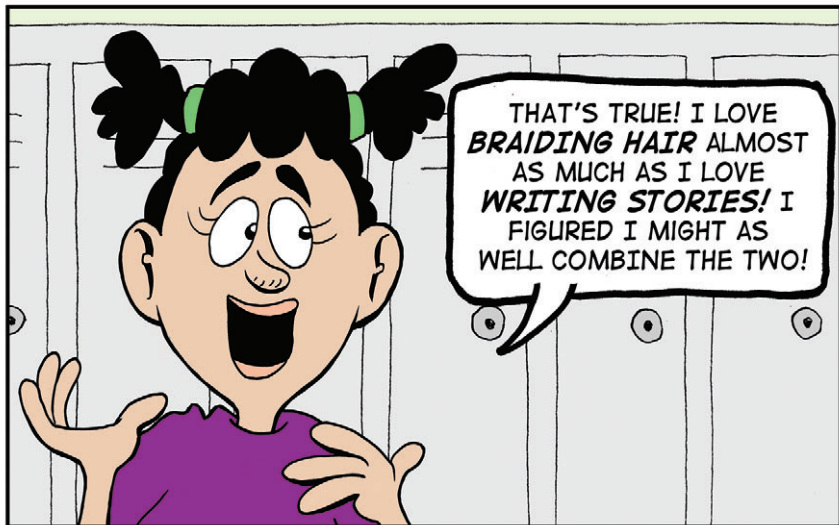
HANNAH, I TURNED IN MY STORY
LAST NIGHT FOR THE KID'S WRITING
CONTEST AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY!

THAT'S GREAT,
KABIBI! WHAT'S
THE STORY
ABOUT?

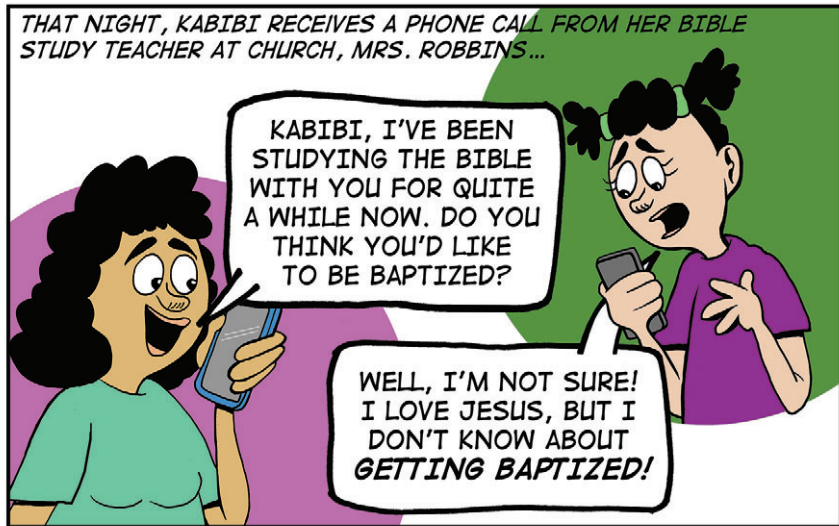
A comic panel with a red background. The two girls are laughing. The girl with pigtails is on the left, and the girl with short hair is on the right, pointing her finger.


IT'S ABOUT A GIRL WHO
LOVES TO BRAID HAIR!

WELL, WE
ALL KNOW
WHO *THAT*
GIRL IS!
HAHA!




THAT NIGHT, KABIBI RECEIVES A PHONE CALL FROM HER BIBLE STUDY TEACHER AT CHURCH, MRS. ROBBINS...





KABIBI, BAPTISM SHOWS
THAT YOUR SINS HAVE
BEEN "WASHED AWAY,"
AND THAT YOU'VE CHOSEN
TO FOLLOW JESUS
AND SERVE HIM!



WELL, I'LL THINK ABOUT IT,
MRS. ROBBINS. BUT I'M
NOT SURE IT'S THAT
IMPORTANT. BESIDES, I'M
KIND OF SHY. I DON'T
REALLY WANT TO TELL
EVERYONE ABOUT MY
WALK WITH JESUS!

TWO WEEKS LATER...

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! I WON
FIRST PLACE IN THE
KID'S WRITING CONTEST!

WOW! AND THEY SAID
THEY'RE GOING TO
INTERVIEW YOU FOR
THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER?



MAYBE *I* SHOULD ENTER THE CONTEST
NEXT YEAR. IF A PERSON CAN WRITE
ABOUT BRAIDING HAIR AND WIN,
THEY'D **REALLY** BE IMPRESSED IF
I WROTE ABOUT *MY* TALENTS!





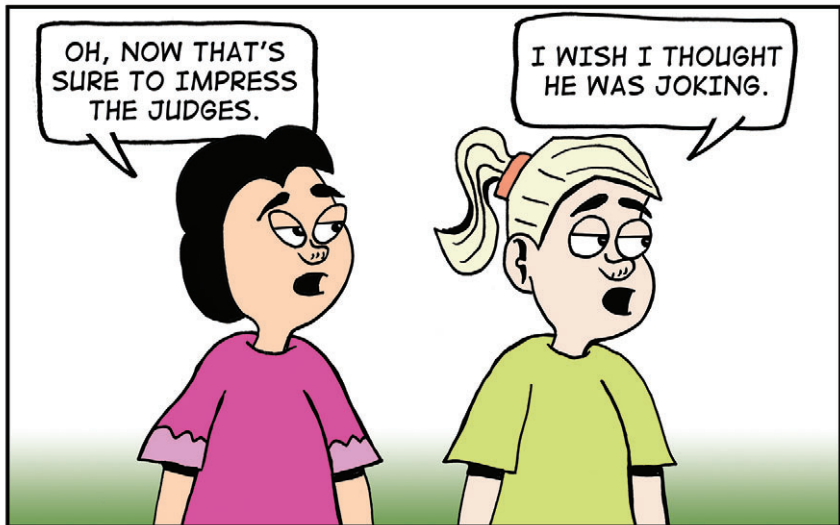
CRYPTO-COLORS

In the Bible, a man named Saul (who later became known as Paul) was told to go do something important. To learn what Saul was supposed to do, cross out all letters below that are NOT blue or green! (The commas have been left out.)

GEMTOUPBEBAMPTIOZEDAHND
WASMHAWFAYYOCURSINWS

OH, NOW THAT'S
SURE TO IMPRESS
THE JUDGES.

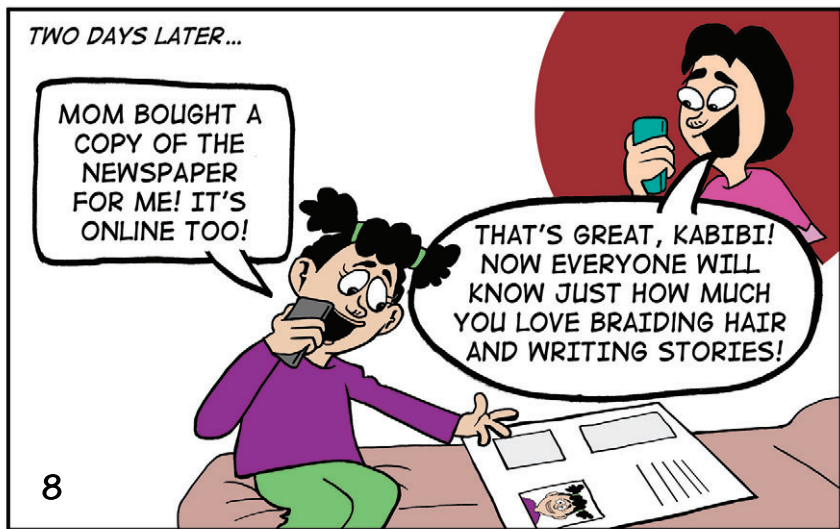
I WISH I THOUGHT
HE WAS JOKING.



TWO DAYS LATER...

MOM BOUGHT A
COPY OF THE
NEWSPAPER
FOR ME! IT'S
ONLINE TOO!

THAT'S GREAT, KABIBI!
NOW EVERYONE WILL
KNOW JUST HOW MUCH
YOU LOVE BRAIDING HAIR
AND WRITING STORIES!



THE NEXT WEEKEND AT CHURCH...

KABIBI, I SAW THE
STORY ABOUT YOU
IN THE NEWSPAPER.
I'M SO SORRY!

WHAT ARE YOU
TALKING ABOUT,
MRS. ROBBINS?





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GEMTOUPBEBAMPTIOZEDA HND
WASMHAWFAYYOCURSINWS



I NEVER THOUGHT OF IT THAT WAY, MRS. ROBBINS. I NEED TO THINK SOME MORE ABOUT BAPTISM!

BE LIKE []

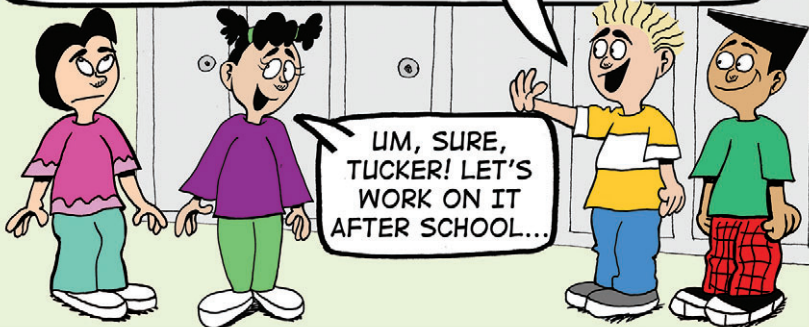
Fill in each missing word: _____ never sinned, so He didn't need to have any sins "washed away." Instead, _____ was baptized as an example for us to follow. You can read about _____' baptism in Matthew 3:13-17.

When _____ came out of the water after His baptism, God sent a type of bird, the dove, as a symbol of His presence. Circle the total number of doves _____ saw after His baptism.



THAT WEEK AT SCHOOL...

HI, KABIBI! I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT SOMETHING. YOU'RE POPULAR, AND YOU HAVE A FUN HAIRSTYLE. WELL, I THOUGHT MAYBE YOU COULD FIX UP **MY** HAIR! THAT WAY, I CAN BE POPULAR TOO!




UM, SURE, TUCKER! LET'S WORK ON IT AFTER SCHOOL...

THAT DAY AFTER SCHOOL...

YOUR HAIR IS JUST RIGHT FOR THIS KIND OF THING, TUCKER! LOTS OF PEOPLE WILL SOON BE LOOKING IN YOUR DIRECTION!



A SHORT TIME LATER...

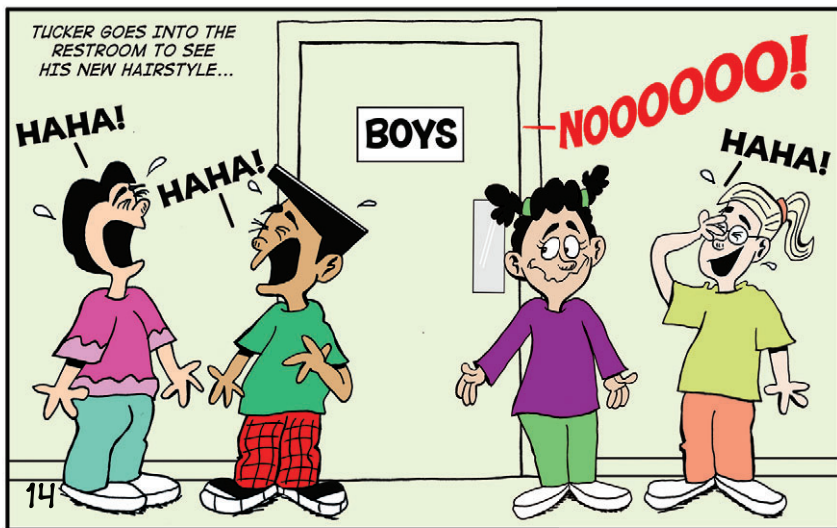


OK, I'M ALL DONE!
COME OVER HERE,
EVERYBODY, AND TELL
ME WHAT YOU THINK!

POWER VERSE

“Wash away all my
guilt and make me
clean again”
(Psalm 51:2).







Is Baptism for YOU?

Getting baptized means that you're ready to follow Jesus no matter what happens. Studying the Bible alone and with others can help you feel confident that you're ready to be baptized! (See the back cover for FREE study guides!)

If you'd like to learn more about the Bible, see the back cover! And if a friend gave you this comic booklet, ask him or her for others!



Answers: *Crypto Colors: GET UP, BE BAPTIZED, AND WASH AWAY YOUR SINS.* (See Acts 22:16, *International Children's Bible.*) *Be Like []: Jesus, 1*

REALLY TRULY!

FUN FACTS

- Baptism in the Bible involved lowering people completely under the water, also known as “baptism by immersion.”
- A Bible story tells of a man named Philip, who baptized an Ethiopian person—and then vanished! Philip showed up in another town a bit later. Read about it in Acts 8:26-40.
- Do you think you might want to be baptized? Talk about it with a parent, a pastor, or another trusted adult. It’s an important decision that will let others know that you’re serious about following Jesus!



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