

## **Beautiful Things**

In Romans 6:4, Paul writes, “We have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in the newness of life.”

Through baptism, we are a new creation.

To put it another way, the song, *Beautiful Things*, says,

*You make beautiful things out of dust  
You make beautiful things out of us.*

Think about your life. What have some of the low points in your life been? What are the things your baptism buried?

Take a few markers and on the paper towel, color a picture that represents those things. Your picture can be as abstract or as literal as you'd like. Do not use any words.

Then, fold your paper towel into at least quarters, with the side you've colored on facing OUT.

Dunk your paper towel into the bucket of water to symbolize the low points in your life as well as the other things your baptism has buried.

Then, pull your paper towel out and carefully unfold it.

Look at how beautiful it's become from the bleeding of colors.

Say a prayer thanking God for the way baptism transforms us – then and now.

Then hang your paper towel on the clothesline using the clothespins to symbolize the way God is transforming you, making something beautiful out of even the not-so-beautiful things in your life.