

The Baptism of the Water



“Dead to Sin, Alive in Christ”

Lesson 10

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In the New Testament, what was done after a sinner gave their life to Christ?

Read Acts 2:36-41; Acts 16:30-33.

Write the Bible Answer:

We see in Acts chapter 2 that Peter was preaching to the people and told them to repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Many people followed his exhortation and believed and were baptized.

What is the meaning of baptism?

Baptized in Strong's Greek Dictionary means; "to *make whelmed* (that is, *fully wet*); used only (in the New Testament) of ceremonial *ablution*, especially (technically) of the ordinance of Christian *baptism*: - baptist, baptize, wash.

Here we see that baptism is when someone has been made fully wet, submerged into the water. Baptism is not just a sprinkling.

What does the submersion in the water, baptism, mean for the believer?

Read Colossians 2:12,13; Romans 6:3-13.

Write the Bible Answer:

When believers are submerged in the water they are buried with Christ; the old man of sin has been crucified, the believer has died to self, died to worldliness. Then a revival takes place, and the believer is taken from the watery grave and resurrected as Christ was raised from the dead.

They now live a new life. This life is sustained by the life and power of Christ while self is still dead. The Bible says in Galatians 2:20, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Baptism is a commemoration of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Does baptism cleanse the life from sin?

Read 1 Peter 3:21.

Write the Bible Answer:

The baptism of the water does not wash the sin away from the believer. In conversion, it is Christ who answers their prayer of repentance and confession; he forgives and cleanses from all their sin. They give their life to Christ, and He accepts them as His child. Through baptism, the believer makes a declaration to the world of his transformation and new life in Christ. All believers who have come to sufficient age to make their decision for Christ must have the baptism experience. Jesus says in Mark 8:38, "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

What did Jesus Christ do while on earth as our example?

Read Matthew 3:13-17; John 1:1-4,14.

Write the Bible Answer:

Even though Jesus is God, He humbled Himself and was made in the likeness of man. (Read Philippians 2:6-8). He was baptized at the beginning of His earthly ministry giving us an example to follow. It was at His baptism when

the voice was heard from the Father, “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased” and the Holy Spirit descended like a dove upon Him, both testifying that Jesus is the true Messiah.

In whose name are we baptized in?

Matthew 28:18-20 “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.”

Read also Isaiah 40:28-31.

Write the Bible Answer:

We are baptized into the eternal power of the Godhead; the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The knowledge, wisdom, and power of God is so large, and His power is so vast. When you need knowledge and wisdom go to the Lord; when you are weary, God has the power to strengthen you. (Read Isaiah 40:28-31)

When we give our lives to Christ, and are baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, this is the power that we then have with us to withstand the temptations of Satan and fight the good fight of faith!

After their conversion what is the believer to continue to do?

Read John 15:4-7.

Write the Bible Answer:

Even after our conversion, we must constantly depend on Christ for life.

As a branch must be attached to the tree to live, so must we dwell in Christ the source of all life. A branch cannot be connected to the tree for just one day, but must daily receive nutrients from the roots. So, we are to abide in Christ daily for spiritual life. Without this connection with Him, we will not have life and will not produce the fruits of righteousness.

What will we do when we are abiding in Jesus Christ?

Matthew 6:11 “Give us this day our daily bread.”

Read also John 6:48-51.

Write the Bible Answer:

We must daily eat of the Bread of Life.

What does it mean to eat the Bread of Life?

The eating of the bread represents an abiding relationship we are to have with Christ. As you eat physical food and digest it and take the nutrients from it, the food becomes a part of your body, so are you to partake of Christ spiritually.

How is this done?

Jesus says in Matthew 11:28-30, “Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. 30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.”

Write the Bible Answer:

Here we come to Christ and He tells us to learn of Him. We learn of Him in the Bible.

What are we told to do with the Bible?

John 5:39 “Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.”

Read also 2 Timothy 2:15.

Write the Bible Answer:

The Bible is to be studied, and the things you learn must be applied to your life. As no one can just see food and be nourished by it, you cannot just hear good things about the Bread of Life from someone else, but you must personally study about Him in His word and apply it to your life. James 1:22 “But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.” This is partaking of Christ!

If you daily eat of the Bread of Life, the character of Christ will become your character. As food supports us physically for life, so spiritually, when you eat of the Bread of life you will be strengthened to win the victory over the world. We then live “by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.” This is the relationship that Jesus wants with His followers. If you are not eating of the Bread of Life, you are spiritually dead.

As Christians, what is our only safeguard against error?

Read Isaiah 8:20.

Write the Bible Answer:

The Bible is the Christian’s only safeguard against error. The Bible must constantly be our guide.

After we have found the grace and hope revealed in the Bible which is only in Christ, what must we do with the light?

Read Matthew 5:14,15.

Write the Bible Answer:

We must let our light shine to the world. When our hearts are filled with love for Christ we will be constrained to share the light, which removed the darkness out of our lives, with others.

Our light must not be allowed to be covered because when a jar is put over a candle flame it loses oxygen and goes out. What covers a light is pride and worldliness.

The Light is Jesus Christ. When you abide in the Light, you will reflect that light by having the character of Christ—the Light.

Matthew 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.”

The Bible Brain Challenge

What is the Biblical method of baptism? Is it just sprinkling?

What does baptism mean for the believer?

Fill in the Blank

Romans 6:4,11 “Therefore we are _____ by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should _____. 11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be _____ indeed _____, but _____ unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

In whose name are we to be baptized in?

Fill in the Blank

Matthew 28:19 “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of _____, and _____, and _____:”

After their conversion what is the believer to continue to do?

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