

BIBLE & BAPTISM

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I am by baptism

Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the Gospel of God, saying: “The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand; **repent and believe** in the Gospel.” Mark 1:14-15

“I tell you; but unless you **repent**, you will all perish... I tell you; but unless you **repent**, you will all perish.” Luke 13:1-5

I Jesus by baptism

Jesus came to the River Jordan, to John, where... **Jesus was baptized**... and behold, a voice from Heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus was making and **baptizing** more disciples than John the Baptist (although Jesus Himself did not baptize, but only his disciples) John 4:1-2
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Belief baptism

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Philip preached Good News about the Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ. **When they believed , they were baptized**, both men and women. Acts 8:12
Many of the people hearing Paul **believed and were baptized**. Acts 18:8

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Βαπτισμ = Baptism =
Sin’s power over us was broken when we **became Christians and were baptized** to become a part of Jesus Christ; through His death the power of your sinful nature was shattered. Romans 6:3
Your old sin-loving nature was **buried with Him by baptism** when He died; and when God the Father, with glorious power, brought Him back to life again, **you were given His wonderful new life to enjoy**. Romans 6:4
Committed to follow Christ.

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Prayer Priorities for this week

Discussion starters

1. What were some of the helpful spiritual influences in your early life?
2. Baptism is not necessary for salvation. What other Christian practices are also not necessary for salvation? If we don't need them to be saved, what advantages do we gain by doing them?
3. Why do you think becoming a Christian by repentance and faith happens before baptism?
4. What is the main symbolism of believer's baptism?
5. Baptism is not a suggestion or an instruction but a command. How does the symbolism of baptism help to explain its necessity?
6. Suggest reasons why baptism is placed near the beginning of the Christian life rather than something that is only for those who are mature in the Faith.
7. What are helpful prayer points for praying for someone who is being baptised? Pray those points now!