
❖SERMON NOTES ❖

Sunday, June 18, 2017

“BAPTISM...MAKING A BIG SPLASH”

(Matthew 3:13-17)

Following Jesus means we follow His teaching and we follow His example. Today we'll explore what it means to follow Jesus in baptism.

1. WHAT IS THE MEANING OF BAPTISM?

A. It illustrates Christ's
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“For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to a new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead” Colossians 2:12, NLT).

B. It illustrates my spiritual
_____.

“He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit” (Titus 3:5, ESV).

C. It illustrates my _____.

“We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:4, ESV).

2. WHY BE BAPTIZED BY IMMERSION?

A. Because _____ that way.

“After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water” (Matthew 3:16, NLT).

B. Every baptism in the Bible was
_____.

“...they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water...” (Acts 8:38-39, ESV).

3. WHO SHOULD BE BAPTIZED?

A. Every person who has
_____.

“But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women” (Acts 8:12, ESV).

B. The Bible teaches only
_____.

4. WHEN SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED?

“Those who accepted his message...were baptized...that day!” (Acts 2:41, NIV).

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1. WHAT IS THE MEANING OF BAPTISM?

A. It illustrates Christ’s death, burial, and resurrection.

“Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day” (1 Corinthians 15:3-4, ESV).

“For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to a new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead” Colossians 2:12, NLT).

B. It illustrates my spiritual cleansing from sin.

“He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit” (Titus 3:5, ESV).

C. It illustrates my new life as a Christian.

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come” (2 Corinthians 5:17, ESV).

“We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:4, ESV).

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast” (Ephesians 2:8-9, ESV).

“...pledge of a clear conscience toward God” (1 Peter 3:21, NIV).

2. WHY BE BAPTIZED BY IMMERSION?

A. Because Jesus was baptized that way.

“After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water” (Matthew 3:16, NLT).

B. Every baptism in the Bible was by immersion.

“...they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water...” (Acts 8:38-39, ESV).

3. WHO SHOULD BE BAPTIZED?

A. Every person who has believed in Christ.

“So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls” (Acts 2:41, ESV).

“Simon himself believed and was baptized...” (Acts 8:13, NLT).

“But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women” (Acts 8:12, ESV).

B. The Bible teaches only believer’s baptism.

4. WHEN SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED?

“Those who accepted his message...were baptized...that day!” (Acts 2:41, NIV).