



WHY SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED?

Acts 8:27-40

1. What is the meaning of baptism?

- It _____ the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,” *1 Corinthians 15:3-4 (NASB)*

“For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead.”
Colossians 2:12 (NLT2)

- It _____ my new life as a Christian.

“Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.” *2 Corinthians 5:17 (NASB)*

“We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.” *Romans 6:4 (NIV)*

- It _____ the cleansing and forgiveness of sin.

“Peter replied, ‘Each of you must repent of your sins, turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ to show that you have received forgiveness for your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’” *Acts 2:38 (NLT2)*

- It _____ that Jesus is Lord of my life.

2. Why should I be baptized by immersion?

- Because _____ was baptized that way.

“After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him.” *Matthew 3:16 (NLT2)*

- Every _____ in the Bible was by immersion.

3. Who should be baptized?

“Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day—about 3,000 in all.” *Acts 2:41 (NLT2)*

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

4. When should I be baptized?

“Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.” *Acts 2:41 (NIV)*