

# Baptism Sunday

## A Move of God - Part 4

### October 5, 2025

#### Series Context

- Men's gathering this past Monday at 6am!
- Tomorrow, 6am!

*<sup>26</sup>As for Philip, an angel of the Lord said to him, 'Go south down the desert road that runs from Jerusalem to Gaza.' <sup>27</sup>So he started out, and he met the treasurer of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under the Kandake, the queen of Ethiopia. The eunuch had gone to Jerusalem to worship, <sup>28</sup>and he was now returning. Seated in his carriage, he was reading aloud from the book of the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup>The Holy Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over and walk along beside the carriage.' <sup>30</sup>Philip ran over and heard the man reading from the prophet Isaiah. Philip asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' <sup>31</sup>The man replied, 'How can I, unless someone instructs me?' And he urged Philip to come up into the carriage and sit with him. <sup>32</sup>The passage of Scripture he had been reading was this: 'He was led like a sheep to the slaughter. And as a lamb is silent before the shearers, He did not open His mouth. <sup>33</sup>He was humiliated and received no justice. Who can speak of His descendants? For His life was taken from the earth.' <sup>34</sup>The eunuch asked Philip, 'Tell me, was the prophet talking about himself or someone else?' <sup>35</sup>So beginning with this same Scripture, Philip told him the Good News about Jesus. <sup>36</sup>As they rode along, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, 'Look! There's some water! Why can't I be baptized?' <sup>38</sup>He ordered the carriage to stop, and they went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. <sup>39</sup>When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away. The eunuch never saw him again but went on his way rejoicing.'" Acts 8:26-39 (NLT)*

- v35 - Gospel
- v36 - Baptism

**Have you given your life to Jesus?**

**Have you been baptized according to the Bible?**

**Today, you can!**

**WHAT is baptism?**

**WHO is baptism for?**

*<sup>26</sup>For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>27</sup>And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes." Galatians 3:26-27 (NLT)*

**WHEN should I be baptized?**

**Reasons people hesitate:**

- *I was baptized as an infant.*
- *I'm too nervous to get up in front of people.*
- *I'm waiting for someone else to get baptized with me.*
- *I'm not a good enough Christian (unworthy) to be baptized.*
  - **Baptism is the starting line, not the finish line!**
- *I became a Christian a long time ago and now I'm embarrassed to be baptized.*

## **WHY should I be baptized?**

- **Because you've put your faith in Jesus**
- **To do what Jesus modeled**

*"<sup>13</sup>Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. <sup>14</sup>But John tried to talk him out of it. 'I am the one who needs to be baptized by you,' he said, 'so why are you coming to me?' <sup>15</sup>But Jesus said, 'It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires.' So John agreed to baptize Him. <sup>16</sup>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 3:13-16 (NLT)*

- **To do what Jesus commanded**

*"<sup>18</sup>Jesus came and told His disciples, 'I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. <sup>20</sup>Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.'" Matthew 28:18-20 (NLT)*

- **To tell the world that you are His!**

*"What are you waiting for? Get up and be baptized. Have your sins washed away by calling on the name of the Lord." Acts 22:16 (NLT)*

## **Baptisms**

### **Closing remarks**

- **Men! See you Monday at 6am here at the church**