

Interrogative Baptism Questions

Foundations - Part 2

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Identifying marker

Baptism

Should you be baptized?

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Who is baptism for?

Anyone who has turned from their sin and put their faith in Jesus

“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 (NLT)

What is baptism?

It is an outward symbol of an inward transformation

“My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me.” Galatians 2:20 (NLT)

When should I be baptized?

Immediately after you have put your faith in Jesus

“³⁶Look! There’s some water! Why can’t I be baptized?” ³⁸He ordered the carriage to stop, and they went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.” Acts 8:36-38 (NLT)

Common reasons people hesitate to be baptized:

- *I was baptized as an infant.*
- *I’m too nervous to get up in front of people.*
- *I’m waiting for someone else.*
- *I’m not a good enough Christian to be baptized.*
- *I became a Christian a long time ago and now I’m embarrassed to be baptized.*

Where should I be baptized?

Doesn’t ultimately matter

Why should I be baptized?

Because you've put your faith in Jesus

To do what Jesus modeled

To do what Jesus commanded

To tell the world that you are His

How should I be baptized?

Baptism = Baptizō = to go under

How much does it cost?

Salvation and baptism cost us nothing but cost Jesus everything.

To follow Him you have to be willing to give up everything.

*“²⁶If you want to be My disciple, you must, by comparison, hate everyone else—your father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, **even your own life**. Otherwise, you cannot be My disciple ...³³without giving up everything you own.” Luke 14:26, 33 (NLT)*

Jesus IS life!

“ ... I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” John 10:10 (NIV)

“²⁹‘Yes,’ Jesus replied, ‘and I assure you that everyone who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or property, for My sake and for the Good News,³⁰will receive now in return a hundred times as many houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and property—along with persecution. And in the world to come that person will have eternal life.’” Mark 10:29-30 (NLT)

Jim Elliot: He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.

*“What are you waiting for? **Get up and be baptized**. ... ” Acts 22:16 (NLT)*

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