

Repentance & Baptism

Acts 2:36-41 (NIV)

- When we come to the realization of God’s saving grace on the cross, our response should be “What shall I do?”
- Peter sums up the teaching about salvation: to *repent and be baptized for the forgiveness of sins*.

1 Peter 2:9-10

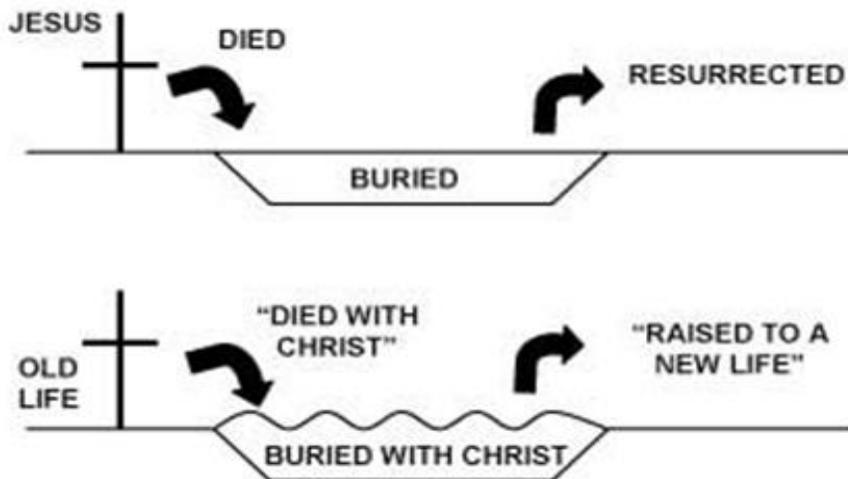
- Becoming a Christian means we move from the darkness to the light, and it results in a transformational change in our lives.

LIGHT	DARKNESS
People of God	Not a People of God
Received Mercy	No Mercy
Royal Priesthood	No Priesthood
Holy Nation	Unholy

2 Corinthians 7:10-11

- Repentance means to “change mind”, which leads to “changed behavior”
- Difference between godly and worldly sorrow. What does godly sorrow look like?
- Called to repent [Acts 3:19; 17:30; 26:20]
- Why are we baptized into Jesus’ death? This is where the blood was shed.

Romans 6:1-17



Matthew 28:16-20 (Great Commission)

¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

- Command: Make disciples, of all nations, baptize them, and teach them
- Promise: Jesus will be with us

1 Peter 3:18-22 (NIV)

- Baptism is not a bath--Baptism is pledge of good conscience towards God

Questions to Consider

- In the book of Acts, what was preached?
- What was the person [people's] response to the preaching?
- How long did it take for the person to respond?
- Have you ever been baptized before? If so, when and how were you baptized?
- What was the motivation for your previous baptism?

HOMEWORK

BELIEF	REPENTANCE	BAPTISM
John 3:16	2 Cor 7:8-11	Matthew 28:16-20, Mark 16:16
Matthew 28:16-20, Mark 16:16	Luke 13:1-5	Acts 2:36-38
Romans 10:8-13	Acts 2:36-38	1 Peter 3:18-20
	Acts 3:19, 17:30, 26:20	Romans 6:1-10
	Hebrews 6:1-6	Colossians 2:9-12
		Ephesians 4:4-5

Here are some additional conversion narratives found in the Book of Acts

[Acts 2:38-41](#)..... the very first believers were Jews; the start of the church at Pentecost

[Acts 8:5-12](#).....Philip preaches in Samaria. People respond in faith by being baptized

[Acts 8:26-40](#).....Philip teaches the Ethiopian eunuch who responds by being baptized

[Acts 9:18](#).....the conversion of Saul [Paul]

[Acts 10:47-48](#)....Cornelius the first Gentile (God-fearer); the "Gentile Pentecost"-God shows Peter the Gospel message is not for Jews alone

[Acts 16:15](#).....the conversion of Lydia (dealer of purple clothe) and her household

[Acts 16:16-34](#)....Paul and Silas' jailer (and his household) respond in faith and are immediately baptized

[Acts 19:1-8](#).....Apollos, the gifted preacher.

[Acts 18:8](#)Crispus, the synagogue ruler

[Acts 19:3-5](#).....those that had not heard yet of Jesus are baptized [not John's baptism]

[Acts 22:16](#).....Paul's story revisited --his sins are washed away, calling on the name of the Lord in baptism