



FAMILYHUDDLE

JUNE 27, 2021 | BAPTISM | WK 26

BIBLE VERSE

1.

YOU WILL BE HIS WITNESS TO ALL PEOPLE OF WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN AND HEARD. AND NOW WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? GET UP, BE BAPTIZED AND WASH YOUR SINS AWAY, CALLING ON HIS NAME.

ACTS 22:15-16



THE MEANING OF BAPTISM

- A. Water in the Old Testament - always a sign of cleaning and purification.
What do you remember about John the Baptist?
- B. Baptism a sign of cleansing from sin.
Baptism symbolizes forgiveness of sin, being completely clean, but does not keep us from falling into sin again, that requires obedience.
- C. Baptism as a sign of being resurrected to new life. Immersion is a symbol of death and rising to new life.
- D. Baptism is a sign of joining the community of faith
- E. A public proclamation of faith - for everyone to see. Announcement of my decision to follow Jesus.

THREE VIEWS OF BAPTISM

- Baptism confers saving grace
- Baptism is a sign of the covenant
- Baptism is a sign of personal faith

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

2.

READ: Matthew 28:19:20
What is the significance of the inclusion of baptism in this great commission of Jesus?

READ: Titus 3:4-7
What words and phrases in this passage describe baptism?

What do they tell us about the meaning of baptism?

READ: Acts 22:16
Explain this urgent call to be baptized. What are you waiting for?

READ: Romans 6:3-4
What is the connection between baptism and death? How do we die to sin?

READ: Ephesians 4:3-6
How does baptism contribute to our unity?

THE PRACTICE OF BAPTISM

A. Who can be baptized?

Have you trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ and given him your life? Have you "gone public" with your decision by being baptized? Obey this command.

B. How should people be baptized?

1. How much water is needed? It doesn't really matter - it is not magic water.
2. What words are important to use?

Baptize in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

3. How long should you wait to be baptized? Immediately? or is a season of instruction better?

C. Baptism at Elmbrook

1. Our constitution - we believe in baptism
2. Our practice - believers baptism by immersion
3. Our requirement - no one form of baptism is required.
4. Preparation - we want people to understand the significance of their decision to be baptism.



PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION



We practice Parent Child Dedication as way to welcome infants and young children into our fellowship, and support parents in raising their children to love and follow God.

We include teaching on baptism in our children's ministry programming, and encourage children who are able to clearly articulate their faith, to attend baptism classes and be baptized.

More info: elmbrook.org/dedication