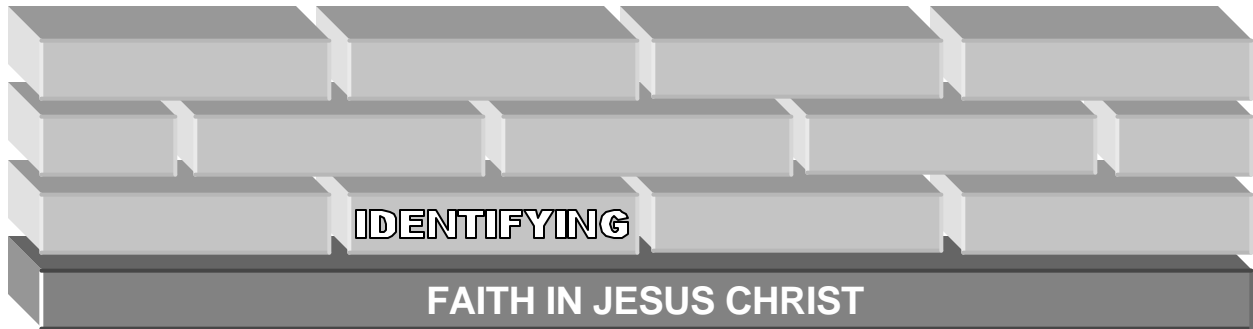


LESSON 2

How to show publicly what I have done



Your religious background may have a strong influence on how you view the act of baptism. You may have even been baptized before you were saved. Baptism is God's method of allowing you to publicly *identify* yourself with your saviour and with other Christians. What does the Bible teach us about baptism?

The **EXAMPLE** of being baptized

📖 MATTHEW 3:13-16

- ☞ Who is being baptized in this passage of scripture? _____
- ☞ What was His baptism to fulfill according to verse 15? _____
- ☞ If it was important for Him to be baptized, do you think it is important for you to be baptized? _____

The **MEANING** of being baptized

📖 MATTHEW 10:32-33

- ☞ Why is it important to publicly confess Jesus?

📖 ROMANS 6:4,11

- ☞ Baptism is supposed to be a picture of what two events in Christ's life?(vs.4)

- ☞ What method of baptism best pictures these two events?
 Sprinkling with water Pouring of water Immersed & lifted from water

☞ What does baptism represent about our past lifestyle of sin? (vs.11) _____

☞ Should a person continue to live in sin once they are baptized? (vs.11) _____

📖 ACTS 10:48

☞ How necessary was baptism to the apostle Peter? _____

The TIMING of being baptized

📖 ACTS 2:38,41

☞ Before baptism, what should we do with regard to our sin? (vs.38) _____

☞ Those who were baptized, first did what? (vs. 41) _____

☞ How quickly were they baptized? _____

📖 ACTS 8:35-37

☞ Once Philip told him about Jesus, what was the eunuch's immediate desire? _____

☞ Aside from having enough water (vs.36), what did Philip say was necessary for a person to be baptized? (vs.37) _____

📖 ACTS 19:3-5

☞ Though these people had already been baptized once, they did not believe (put their trust in for salvation) in who at that time? (vs.4) _____

☞ What did these people decide to do? (vs.5) _____

☞ Baptism is meaningless if it does not **follow** salvation.

Conclusion: Once you have been saved, you should make plans to be publicly baptized by immersion. This is a testimony to other believers that you have received the gift of salvation, and that you are turning from your sinful past.

MEMORIZE: (Mat 28:19) "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost"