

## Believers' Baptism

Acts 8:26-40

### I. What is the purpose of baptism?

- A. Baptism is a \_\_\_\_\_ of the death, burial and resurrection.

*What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?*

***Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.***

*Romans 6:1-4*

- B. Baptism is an identification with \_\_\_\_\_ death.

***I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.***

*Galatians 2:20*

- C. Baptism is a public demonstration of what Christ has \_\_\_\_\_ done within us.

### II. Who is baptism for?

- A. Baptism is for individuals who have already \_\_\_\_\_ Christ as their Savior.

*Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?"*

***Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."***

*So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him.*

*Acts 8:36-38*

- B. Baptism is for those who want to make a \_\_\_\_\_ demonstration of their faith.

### III. What is the Biblical method of baptism?

- A. In scripture, baptism was done in a large \_\_\_\_\_ of water.

*So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch **went down into the water**, and he baptized him. Now **when they came up out of the water**, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing.*

*Acts 8:38-39*

- B. \_\_\_\_\_ coincides with the symbol of dying, being buried, and resurrecting with Christ.

- C. The Greek word for baptize, means to dip or \_\_\_\_\_.

### IV. Why is baptism important for the believer?

- A. Christ \_\_\_\_\_ us to do it.

***"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.***

*Matthew 28:19-20*

- B. It demonstrates our \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ.