

BAPTISM WHO NEEDS IT?

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Dedication

With deep love and thanksgiving for my wife, Debby, whose steadfast love and childlike faith have been an encouragement to me.

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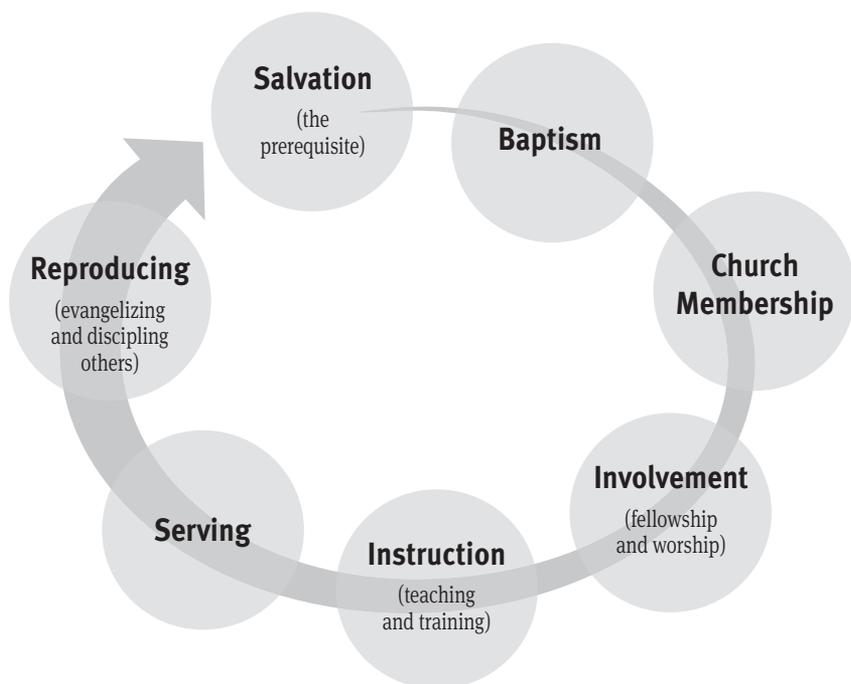
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Introduction

Christians should be keenly aware of the basic ingredients of the Christian life and how to use them. In Acts 2 we see the ingredients in the lives of the first Christians. There is a flow pattern to follow.

Discipleship Flow



This study has been developed to help you learn how baptism fits into this pattern. Writing out and memorizing the key verses will help you internalize what God's Word teaches on the subject of baptism.

Discovery is the key to this study. You will discover for yourself the plan of God from the Bible. Only then will you be ready to decide what you need to do about Christian baptism.

At the moment you placed your faith in the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, you experienced the “new birth” and became a child of God! John 1:12 teaches us that all who receive Jesus Christ by believing in Him are given the power, or right, to become God’s children!

Accepted by God

When Jesus died on the cross, all your sins were still in the future, weren’t they?



His death paid the penalty for all your sins—
 all the sins in your past;
 all the sins you commit today;
 all the sins in your future.

What does the Bible teach us to do whenever we sin?

1 John 1:9 _____

God accepts our confession only on the basis of Jesus’ sacrificial blood. On the cross He declared, “It is finished.”



Review Questions

1. What is it that washed away your sin and released you from sin's penalty? (Note: *propitiation* means "a sacrifice that satisfies God's wrath against sin.")

Romans 3:24-25 _____

Revelation 1:5 _____

2. Whose righteousness and life is your salvation based on?

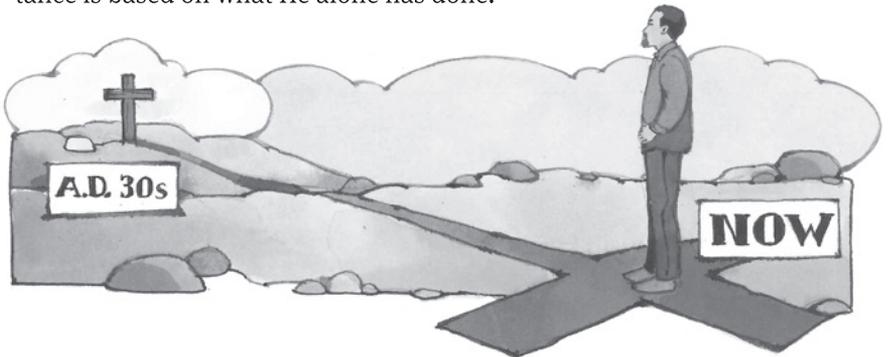
Romans 5:10 _____

Romans 5:17 _____

2 Corinthians 5:20-21 _____

1 Peter 2:21-24 _____

It is extremely important for you as a growing Christian to know that your acceptance by God is based completely and solely on the sacrificial blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, which He shed on the cross. Your acceptance is based on what He alone has done.



Key Verses:

_____ (Romans 5:1-2).