

Go, Reach, Baptize, Teach

Why Baptism Matters

2 Corinthians 5:17

**“Therefore if any man be in Christ,
he is a new creature: old things are
passed away; behold, all things are
become new.”**

Acts 2:41

“Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.”

Acts 8:12

“But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.”

Acts 8:36-37

“... See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? 37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. ...”

Acts 18:8

“And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.”

- 1. Baptism is distinct from saving faith.**
 - A. Saving faith is your personal response to what Jesus has done for you.**

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B. Baptism is the outward expression of the inward reality of saving faith.

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- 2. Baptism is the appropriate result of saving faith.**
- 3. Baptism is a matter of obedience.**

- (1) Baptism matters in your relationship with God.**
- (2) Baptism matters to the church.**
- (3) Baptism matters to the lost.**
- (4) Baptism should matter to you.**