

Disciple's Quest

If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.

John 8:31

Answering the Important Questions About Believer's Baptism
Selected Texts
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Main idea: Baptism is one of two ordinances given by Jesus to His church. Still, a lack of teaching on the subject has left many Christians confused about the meaning of baptism, and even who it can be rightly administered to. Today, we will aim to answer these and other questions about baptism from the scriptures.

Outline:

- Question #1 – Who is baptism for?

- Question #2 – Should Believer's view baptism as necessary?
 - Yes, because Jesus commands it

 - Yes, because through it God accomplishes some important things:
 - √ Baptism pictures the Believer's immersion into (and identification with) Christ

 - √ Baptism facilitates (and illustrates) the preaching of the Gospel
 - √ Baptism results in worship

- Question #3- Does Scripture prescribe a particular method for baptism?

- Question #4 – Who should be baptized?

Questions for further application and contemplation after the message:

#1 Does baptism cause or contribute to salvation?

Why not? Incorporate appropriate Scripture references into your answer.

How is salvation attained?

#2 Why is baptism important for the disciple of Jesus?

#3 How would you explain the visual imagery evident in baptism to a new believer?

#4 Can baptism serve to strengthen a believer's walk? In what way/ways?