



Romans 5:20-6:5 (CSB)

²⁰ The law came along to multiply the trespass. But where sin multiplied, grace multiplied even more,
²¹ So that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace will reign through righteousness, resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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¹What should we say then? Should we continue in sin so that grace may multiply? ²Absolutely not! How can we who died to sin still live in it?

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³ Or are you unaware that all of us who were *baptized into Christ Jesus* were baptized into His death?

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⁴ Therefore we were *buried with Him by baptism* into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too may walk in *newness of life*.

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⁵ For if we have been united with him in the likeness of His death, we will certainly also be in the likeness of His resurrection. "I have never taught Anabaptism... but only the right baptism of Christ. Yes I teach, and say that infant baptism is a robbery of the right baptism of Christ." ~ Balthasar Hubmaier, 1526

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1 Corinthians 1:12 (CSB)

"What I am saying is this: One of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ"

1 Corinthians 1:13-17 (CSB)

¹³ Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in Paul's name?

¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of

you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one can say you were baptized in my name.

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1 Corinthians 1:13-17 (CSB)
¹⁶ I did, in fact, baptize the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not recall if I baptized anyone else.
¹⁷ For Christ *did not send me to baptize*, but to preach the Gospel...

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Acts 18:8 (CSB)

Crispus, the leader of the synagogue, believed in the Lord, along with his whole household. Many of the *Corinthians*, when they heard, believed and were *baptized*. Do we have to be baptized in order to be saved?

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Acts 2:37-38 (CSB)

³⁷ When they heard this, they were pierced to the heart and said to Peter and the rest of the Apostles: "Brothers, what should we do?"

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Acts 2:37-38 (CSB)

³⁸ Peter replied, 'Repent and *be baptized*, each of you, in the name of Jesus Christ *for the forgiveness of your sins*, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." In repentance, God graciously gifts us with an awareness of our needy and fallen state before God

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"The difference between true and false repentance lies in this: the one who truly repents cries out against his own heart; but the other, as Eve, cries out against the serpent or something else with a pointed finger."

~ John Bunyan

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Matthew 3:2 (CSB) "*Repent*, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Matthew 4:17 (CSB)

From that time Jesus began to preach, saying: "*Repent*, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

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Mark 1:15 (CSB) "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; *repent and believe* in the gospel."

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There is no faith in Jesus without repentance.

"Repentance is said by some to be the tear of love dropping from the eye of faith."

~ John Fawcett

Repentance flows from a soul-satisfying rest in Christ's work.

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1 Corinthians 1:17 (CSB)

"For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the Gospel – not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross will not be emptied of its power." Baptism is a <u>response</u> of obedience when the gifts of faith and repentance are received in the heart of a person.

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1 Peter 3:21 (ESV)

Baptism... now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as *an appeal to God* for a good conscience, *through the resurrection* of Jesus Christ..."

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Baptism, if used falsely, can be a great factory of false Christians.

2 Corinthians 6:2 (NLT)

For He (God) says, "At just the right time, I heard you. On the day of salvation, I helped you." Indeed the "right time" is now. *Today* is the day of salvation

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"The door of God's mercy is thrown wide open, and Christ stands in the door and says to sinners: Come!" ~ Jonathan Edwards

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"Remember, dear sinner, it is not your hold of Christ that saves you – it is Christ; it is not your joy in Christ that saves you – it is Christ; it is not even your faith in Christ, though that is the instrument – it is Christ's blood and His merits that secure you."

~ Charles Spurgeon

Baptism publicly declares the past tense reality that you have been <u>born again</u> by the Spirit of God.

Galatians 2:20 (CSB)

I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me

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