

# SUNDAY APRIL 8, 2017

What was your understanding of baptism in the environment in which you grew up?

Did today's sermon help your understanding of baptism in any way? How?

How were you impacted by the personal testimonies that were shared?

This is a good week to take some time and share some personal testimonies. Open it up for a few people to share their faith story. It doesn't have to be long. In fact try sharing your story in less then 3 minutes.

Here's an example of how to share your story in 15 seconds.

"I use to be \_\_\_\_\_\_ (selfish, proud, angry, lacking purpose...) Then I asked Jesus to forgive me an to be the leader and Lord of my life.

Now I'm \_\_\_\_\_ (generous, humble, peaceful, have purpose...)."

# GO TO THE WORD

Read these biblical accounts of baptism and share what you observe in these verses.

Acts 8:12-13; Acts 10:47-48; Acts 22:13-16; Matt. 3:16-17.

## Read Matthew 28:18-20

What is the relationship between baptism and the church's mission as outlined here in the Great Commission? Why do you think Jesus commanded baptism?

## Read Romans 8:9-17, Galatians 5:16, and 1 John 4:13.

What do you think is the relationship between the Spirit, the new life, and baptism? How have you personally experienced the Spirit's work in your life?

## WHAT NOW?

If you have not been baptized would you consider doing so? What might stop you?

Whether you've been following Jesus for years or you are a brand new believer but have not been baptized – say YES to Jesus and sign up for C4's next opportunity to be baptized on Sunday June  $3^{rd}$ . To learn more: <u>http://c4church.com/baptism/</u>

## PRAY

Have each person pray for the person on their right that the would walk faithfully with Jesus.

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