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John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.





3 Things baptism is

2 Reasons to be baptized

1 Reason not to be baptized



# 3 Things Baptism is

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1. Baptism is uniting with Jesus in His death, burial and resurrection



# Romans 6:3-4

Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.



# 3 Things Baptism is

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2. Baptism is part of giving your whole self to God



# Acts 2:37-38

When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.



# 3 Things Baptism is

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3. Baptism is a beautiful gift from God... not a difficult burden



# John 3:3-7

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"



# John 3:3-7

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit." Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit." You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.'



# John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.



# John 3:22

After this, Jesus and his disciples went out into the Judean countryside, where he spent some time with them, and baptized.



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Baptism is an expression of repentance...

A new start/rebirth



# Baptism is:

1. Uniting with Jesus in His death, burial and resurrection...
2. Part of giving your whole self to God...
3. A beautiful gift from God...Not a difficult burden...



# 2 Reasons to be baptized

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1. Jesus did it!



# Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness."



# Matthew 3:13-17

Then John consented. As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."



# 2 Reasons to be baptized

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2. Jesus told us to do it!



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Matthew 28:19

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



# 1 Reason not to be baptized

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You have not accepted Jesus  
as your Lord and Savior



# Matthew 10:32-33

“Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.”



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Who should be baptized?



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