

## **Baptism**

### **BAPTISM IS FOR BELIEVERS**

#### **Acts 2:41 (ESV)**

So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

#### **Acts 8:12 (ESV)**

But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

### **BAPTISM IS A SYMBOL OF SOMEONE'S SALVATION**

#### **Romans 6:3-4 (ESV)**

3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

#### **Colossians 2:12 (ESV)**

...having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.

#### **Galatians 3:27 (ESV)**

For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

### **BAPTISM IS BY IMMERSION**

#### **Mark 1:10 (ESV)**

And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw

the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove

#### **Acts 8:38-39 (ESV)**

38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. 39 And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

### **BAPTISM IS THE IMMEDIATE NEXT RIGHT STEP**

#### **Acts 8:36 (ESV)**

And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?"

### **BAPTISM BLESSES PEOPLE**

- "Since water baptism is an outward symbol of inward spiritual baptism by the Holy Spirit, we may expect that the Holy Spirit will ordinarily work alongside the baptism, giving to believers an increasing realization of the benefits of the spiritual baptism in which it points."
- "Where there is genuine faith on the part of the person being baptized, and where the faith of the church that watches the baptism is stirred up and encouraged by this ceremony, then the Holy Spirit certainly does work through baptism, and it becomes "a means of grace" through which the Holy Spirit brings blessing to the person being baptized and to the church as well."