Acts 8:36-39

The Pressure To Be Obedient

- **1. W<u>hat</u> Is Baptism?**
  - **Matthew 28:18-19**, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, **<u>baptizing them in the name</u>** of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.”
  - **Colossians 2:10-12**, “**<u>In Him</u>** you have been **<u>made complete</u>**, and He is the head over all rule and authority; and **<u>in Him you were also circumcised</u>** with a circumcision made without hands, in the removal of the body of the flesh **<u>by the circumcision of Christ</u>**; having been buried **<u>with Him in baptism</u>**, in which you were also raised up with Him **<u>through faith</u>** in the working of God.”
- **2. W<u>ho</u> Gets Baptized?**
  - **Acts 2:41**, “So then, those **<u>who had received his word</u>** were baptized.”
- **3. W<u>hy</u> Do You Get Baptized?**
  - **Matthew 10:32**, “Therefore everyone who **<u>confesses Me before men</u>**, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven.”
- **4. W<u>hen</u> Do You Get Baptized?**
  - **Acts 10:47-48**, “Surely no one can refuse the water for these to be baptized **<u>who have received the Holy Spirit</u>** just as we did, can he?” And he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.
- **5. W<u>here</u> Do You Get Baptized?**
  - **Acts 8:36**, “Look! **<u>Water</u>**!”
- **6. W<u>hich</u> Baptism Matters Most?**
  - **John 1:33**, “This is the One who baptizes **<u>in the Holy Spirit</u>**.”
  - **1 Peter 3:21**, “Corresponding to that, baptism now saves you—**<u>not the</u>** removal of dirt from the flesh, **<u>but an appeal to God for a good conscience</u>**—through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.”

- **Hebrews 10:22**, “let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, with **our hearts sprinkled clean** from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.”

- **7. Whose Baptism Matters Most?**
  - **Matthew 3:15**, “**In this way** it is fitting for us to **fulfill all righteousness**.”
  - **Luke 12:50**, “**I have a baptism to undergo**, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished.”
  - **Hebrews 2:9**, “By the grace of God He **might** taste death for everyone.”
  - **Romans 6:4**, “We have been **buried with Him** through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too **might** walk in the **newness of life**.”
  - **Am I walking obediently in the newness of life?**