

Main Street Church - Life Group Questions

Message: All About BAPTISM

Date: August 26, 2015



Connect :

: Hello My Name Is _____.

: What is 1 Highlight from your week? What is 1 thing you're Thankful for Today?

Open with Prayer

"JESUS – Your life, death & resurrection are the real source of inspiration behind the symbol and step of Baptism. We are saved and reborn by Your work, Your grace and Your power. Help to follow Your example and obey You in the things You've called us to do and be. Amen"

Sunday Message Feedback :: All About BAPTISM

***Scripture References:** *a few of the many...that speak about BAPTISM*

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Matthew 28:19**

Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. **Mark 16:16**

And Peter said to them, "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. **Acts 2:38**

And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name. **Acts 22:16**

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 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. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. **Romans 6:3-5**

⁵There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism,⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all, in all, and living through all. **Ephesians 4:5-6**

What jumped out at you from Sunday's message?

Which particular point or passage of Scripture most encouraged, challenged, confused or caught your attention? What did Jesus say to you this past week through the message?

- 1. If you have been baptized – when, where, how & why were you Baptized?**
Have you been Baptized since you chose to believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord & Savior?
Was any part of the decision or experience scary/hard, and why?
Did you have any reasons/excuses for waiting/delaying your baptism?

*If you have not been baptized yet, are you interested in getting Baptized?

- 2. How did/has your Baptism impact your relationship and journey with Jesus Christ?**

- 3. Why do you think God chooses to use Water Baptism as a symbol and step for believers to identify with and actively obey/apply? Why is it important?**

What does it symbolize?

: Why do you think Jesus got Baptized?

- 4. What are is process modeled in Scripture?**

:: *Believe and Be Baptized. Go public and live for Jesus.*

:: It publicly declares/identifies us as followers of Jesus Christ,
and what He has done for us and in us. (Death & Resurrection...)

:: Baptism doesn't SAVE us, it symbolizes/reflects the Salvation that you've
already experienced in Jesus.

****The metaphor/analogy of putting on the Jersey.***

When a new player signs a contract (establishes a relationship with his/her team) they usually have a press-conference to announce the commitment/relationship and they put on their new jersey – publicly declaring that they no longer belong to/or play for their old team, but they now belong to and play for this new team. Baptism is the publicly putting on your new jersey (of Jesus)...

Application

HOW does this message & discussion affect your feelings, beliefs/theology, choices...?

How can you/we apply what we learned about Baptism on Sunday, and tonight through our discussion?

*Our next Baptism Celebration is on Sunday, September 20th at 6pm.

Visit www.mainstreetchurch.ca/baptism for more info and to apply to be Baptized.

Prayer

: How can we pray for you in light of what you've learned or experienced this week?