

BAPTISM CHAIN REFERENCE

Lesson:

John 3:1-6

- A- To see the Kingdom of God we must be born again.
- B- To enter the Kingdom of God we must be born again.
- C- Born of the water (H₂O) and of the Spirit (Holy Spirit).
- D- Baptism is clearly necessary to enter the Kingdom.

Acts 2:38

- A- In the Greek:
 - Βαπτισμο (Baptizo) = to immerse
 - Ρηαντιζο (Rhantizo) = to sprinkle
 - Χηεο (Cheo) = to pour
- B- At baptism, two things happen:
 - 1- We are forgiven of our sins.
 - 2- We receive the Holy Spirit.

Romans 6:1-8

- A- We are baptized into Christ's death.
- B- In baptism, we participate in Christ's:
 - 1- Death
 - 2- Burial
 - 3- Resurrection
- C- We are raised to walk a new life.
- D- If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Him in the newness of life.

Colossians 2:12

- A- Through faith in the power of God we have died to self and have been born again.
- B- Faith is essential to please God (Hebrews 11:6).

Mark 16:16

- A- He who believes and is baptized will be saved.
- B- He who disbelieves will be condemned.
- C- Belief in the working of God is essential.

I Peter 3:21

- A- Baptism is what saves us!
- B- By an appeal to God for a good conscience through the resurrection of Jesus; belief and faith!

Galatians 3:26,27

- A- At baptism we are clothed in Christ; we have become sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
- B- By clothing ourselves with Christ we have put off the sinful nature (Galatians 5:24).

I Corinthians 12:12, 13

- A- We become members of the body of Christ at baptism.
(The body of Christ = The Church)

Ephesians 4:4, 5

- A- There is only one baptism today that will get us into the only true church.

CONVERSIONS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

- Acts 2:41.....First Christians in Jerusalem.
- Acts 8:12,13.....Simon the Sorcerer.
- Acts 8:26-38.....Ethiopian Eunuch.
- Acts 16:13-15.....Lydia, the purple cloth dealer.
- Acts 16:22-34.....Philippian jailer.
- Acts 18:8.....Corinthians.
- Acts 19:1-5.....Ephesians.
- Acts 22:3-16.....Apostle Paul (also Acts 9:1-22)

Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15,16

- A- Jesus gave us this final commission:
 - 1- Preach the good news in the entire world.
 - 2- Make disciples of all nations.
- B- How do we make these disciples?
 - 1- Preach to them.
 - 2- Baptize them.
 - 3- Teach them everything Jesus has commanded.
- C- Jesus will be with you always in this mission!

Home Work Assignment:

Instructions:

1. Write the summarized version of study down (down below) in a blank page of your Bible. Your mentor will show you how to glue onion-skin (tracing) paper in your Bible using white (Elmer's) glue. You may want to draw lines, using a ruler, on your paper for easy writing. If your Bible does not have empty pages, glue on some of your own blank pages.

Baptism Chain Reference

2. Write the following helpful information after writing points 1 through 18 in your Bible:
 - a. Bible baptism is an “immersion” as oppose to a “sprinkling” or a “pouring”:
 1. baptizo - (*bap-tid'-zo*) to make whelmed (i.e. fully wet); to baptize (note: “whelm” means “submerge”).
 2. rhantizo - (*hran-tid'-zo*) to render besprinkled; sprinkle.
 3. cheo - (*kheh'-o*) to pour.
 - b. Baptism is biblically described as a burial (**Romans 6:4; Col. 2:12**).
3. Build a baptism chain reference by doing the following:
 - a) Go to Acts 2:38 (point #1) in your Bible and write, on the margin next to that verse, the following:
Bapt: Acts 2:41
 - b) Go to Acts 2:41 (point #2) in your Bible and write, on the margin next to that verse, the following:
Bapt: Acts 22:16
 - c) Go to Acts 22:16 (point #3) in your Bible and write, on the margin next to that verse, the following:
Bapt: Heb. 10:22
 - d) Keep on doing this until you get to Col. 2:11-12 (point #18).
 - e) Next to Col. 2:11-12, write, on the margin next to that verse, the following: *Bapt: Acts 2:38*
 - f) Now you have a scriptural chain reference!
 - g) You may want to add the text in each point using a rapidograph on the margin of the Bible, next to the scripture passage.
4. Don't be lazy! This is to your benefit! ☺

Helpful hints:

1. Use a thin writing pen to write with (an ultra razor thin marker or a rapidograph pen would be helpful).
2. Write small so you can write other topical studies in your Bible as you receive them.

Baptism Chain Reference

1. **Acts 2:38** -- Baptism is for the forgiveness of sins and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.
2. **Acts 2:41** -- Those who gladly accepted Peter's message of Christ were baptized.
3. **Acts 22:16** -- In baptism, we wash away our sins, calling on His name.
4. **Heb. 10:22** -- We are to have our bodies washed in pure water.
5. **Titus 3:5** -- We are saved by the washing of rebirth and the renewal by the Holy Spirit.
6. **John 3:3-5** -- We must be born of water and Spirit to enter the kingdom of heaven.
7. **Acts 10:47** - We cannot forbid the water to baptize those who believe.
8. **Acts 8:35f** - The Ethiopian eunuch was baptized when he believed.
9. **Acts 8:12-13** -- The Samaritans were baptized when they believed, both men and women.
10. **Acts 16:13-15** -- Lydia and her household were baptized when they believed.
11. **Acts 16:30-34** -- The Philippian jailer and his household were baptized when they believed.
12. **Acts 18:8** -- The Corinthians were baptized when they believed.
13. **Acts 19:1-7** -- Those who received John's baptism were re-baptized in the name of Jesus.
14. **1 Peter 3:21** -- Baptism does also now save us.
15. **Gal. 3:26-27** -- Through faith, we put on Christ when we are baptized.
16. **Romans 6:3-7** -- We are buried with Christ in baptism and raised to live a new life.
17. **Mark 16:15-16** -- He who believes and is baptized will be saved.
18. **Col. 2:11-12** -- God circumcises our sins when we are buried with Christ in baptism.