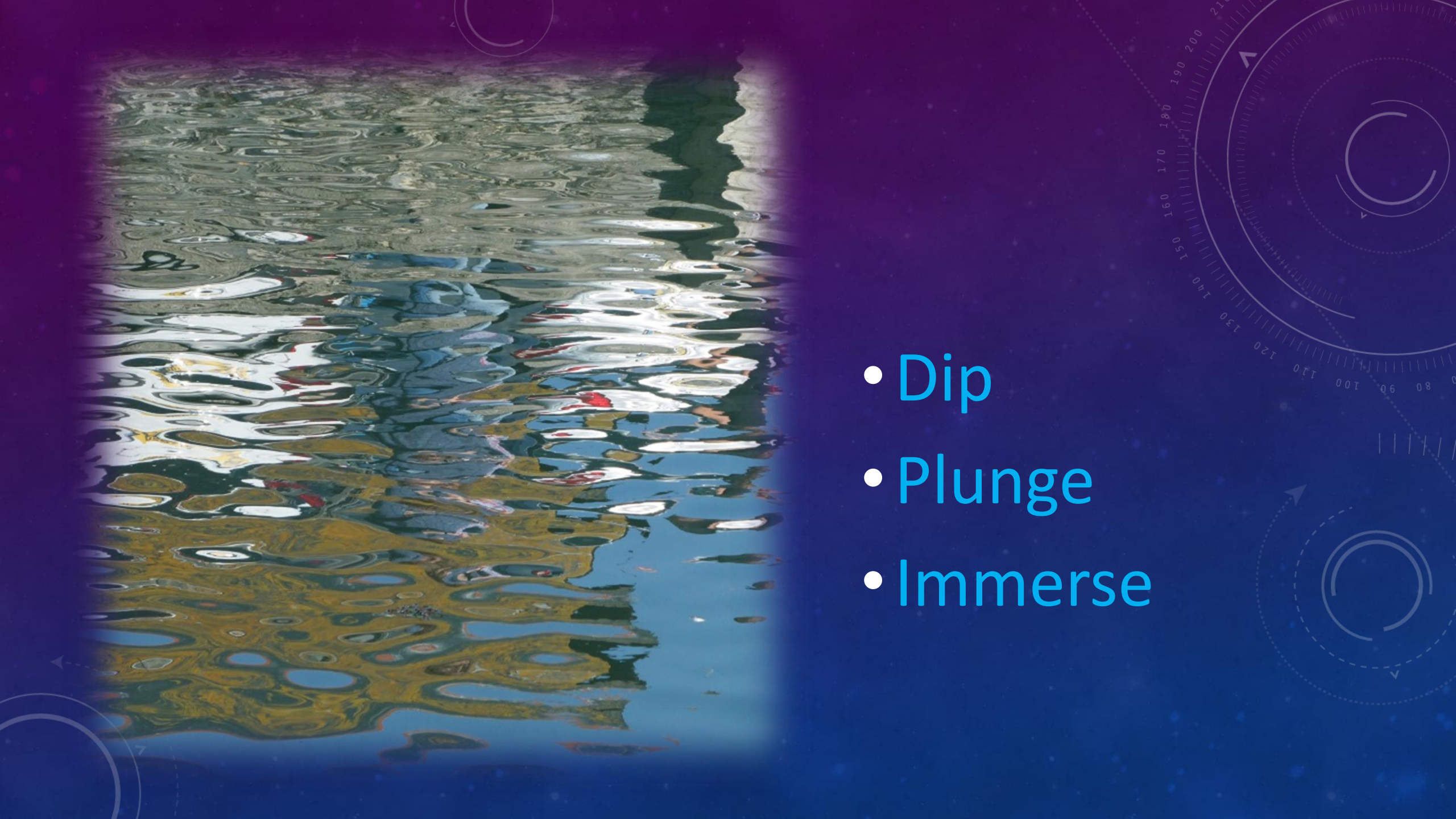




BAPTISM

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- Dip
 - Plunge
 - Immerse

JOHN THE BAPTIST'S BAPTISM

'I baptise you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire'. (Mat.3.11)



‘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 baptised, every one of you and change, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’

(Acts 2.37)

TWO PROCESSES

- Repent and be baptised; receive forgiveness
- Receive the Holy Spirit

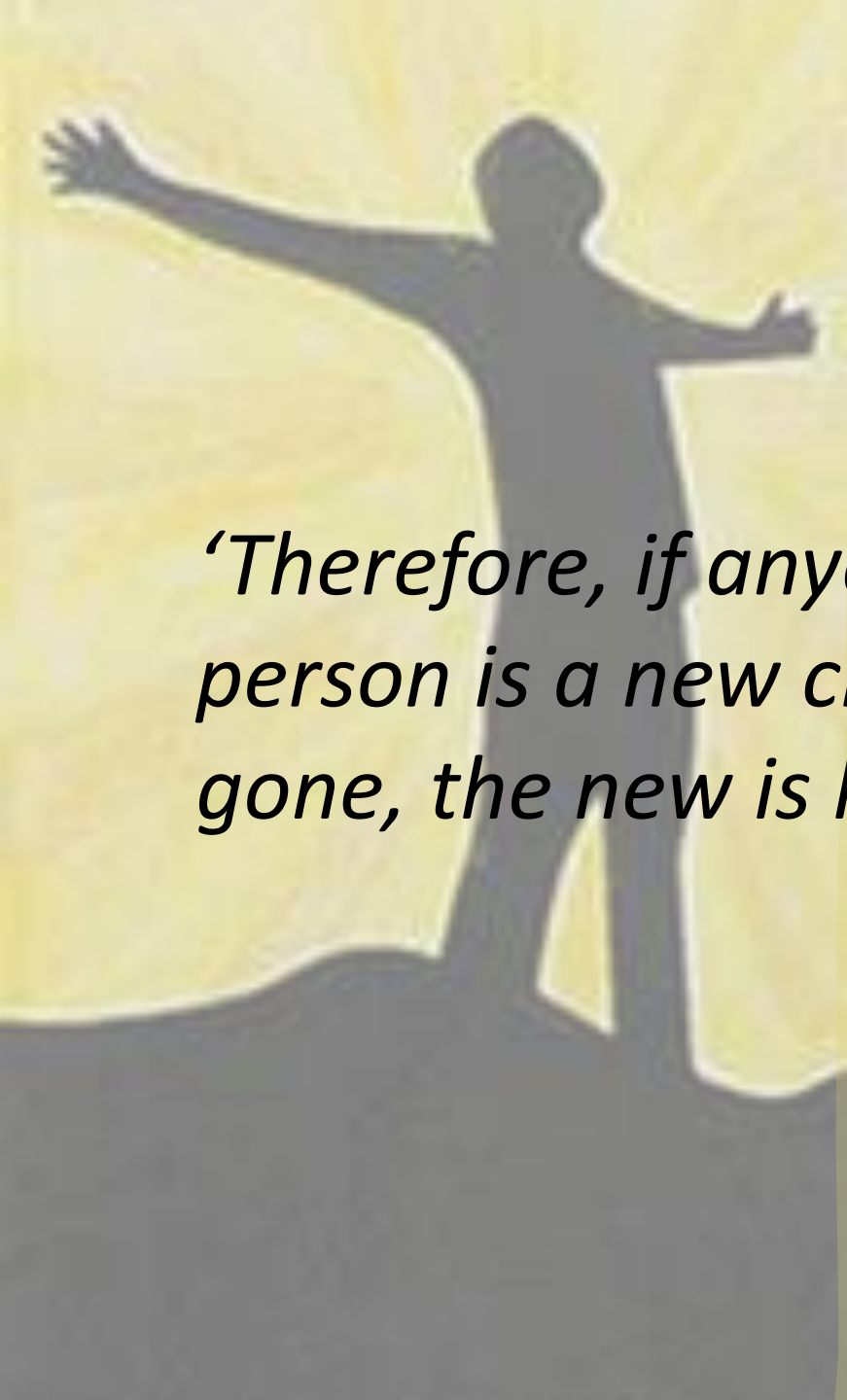
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BAPTISM IS A PICTURE

**A physical enactment of a
spiritual event**



- A public declaration of faith
- Washing away of past sins and guilt.
- "Dying" to an old way of life and being "resurrected" into a new life with Christ.



‘Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, this person is a new creation: the old has gone, the new is here!’ (2 Cor 5:17)



Receiving the Holy Spirit

- The HS is present all the time
- When you make a commitment to Jesus, the HS comes *into* you



BAPTISM IS THE BEGINNING

We learn to walk with him

OUR THOUGHT LIFE

- Where sinful actions start and unhealthy habits take root



BROODING ABOUT NEGATIVE THINGS?



"Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above... Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things".

(Col 3:1-2)



*'The one who is in you is
greater than the one who
is in the world.'*
(1 Jn 4.4)

*For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. **The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.** ⁵ we demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and **we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.***

(2.Cor 10. 3,4)