

The Importance of Water Baptism

Selected Scripture

Introduction: Exodus 12:21-27

I. Where Did Baptism Originate?

- A. Gentile Proselyte to Judaism
- B. John the Baptizer
 - 1. Matthew 21:25
 - 2. Luke 7:30
- C. Jesus
 - 1. Luke 12:50
 - 2. Mark 10:38

II. Is Baptism that Important?

- A. John 4:1-2; Matthew 28:18-20
- B. Acts 2:38, 8:12-13,36-38, 9:18, 10:48, 16:15, 18:8, 19:5
- C. Acts 2:37-42

III. Is Baptism Just a Cultural Issue? Matthew 28:18-20

IV. What is the Purpose of Baptism? Acts 2:38

V. Who Should be Baptized?

VI. What is the Proper Mode of Baptism?

- A. The Greek Words
- B. The Biblical Examples - Matt. 3:5-6,16; Jn 3:23, Acts 8:38
- C. The Truth Baptism Illustrates - Col. 2:12; Rom. 6:4
- D. The Historical Record

VII. Should I be re-Baptized Acts 19:1-5

VIII. Why are so Many Church-People not Baptized?

- A. Ignorance
- B. Indifference
- C. Pride
- D. Hypocrisy
- E. Unregenerate