







Telling Us

Jesus ended his public ministry by commanding his church to baptize his followers!

Matthew 28:19-20, NIV

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Baptism: How Much Water Is Needed?

The NT word *baptizo* literally means to bury, dunk, plunge, submerge, or immerse something completely under!

So, by definition, it takes a lot of water to baptize a person!

John 3:23, NLT (see also Acts 8:26-39)

At this time John the Baptist was baptizing at Aenon, near Salim, because there was plenty of water there...

“Plenty of Water”

Baptism pictures the spiritual BATH we received through our faith in Jesus.

Acts 22:16, NLT

Get up and be baptized. Have your sins washed away by calling on the name of the Lord.

John 13:10, NIV

Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean...

“Plenty of Water”

Baptism pictures the TOMB
where our old life was buried...
...a tomb which empties because
we've been raised to live a new life!

Colossians 2:12, NLT

For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized.
And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted
the mighty power of God who raised Christ from the dead.

Is Baptism Necessary?

Water baptism is not necessary for SALVATION.
But it is necessary for OBEDIENCE!

Acts 2:38 & 22:16, NLT

Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God and
be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ...What are you waiting for?
Get up and be baptized.
