

BIBLE BAPTISM

I Peter 3:18-21

INTRO:

- A. The baptism described in the New Testament “in Jesus’ name” was for salvation.
- B. Much baptism today is for a different purpose since those who accept it believe they are already saved.
- C. How was baptism done and why?

I. IMMERSION

- A. *Baptisma* - Immersion, submersion & emergence
- B. In water. Acts 10:47-48
- C. Went down into the water. Acts 8:38-39
- D. A burial. Romans 6:3-4
- E. Only one baptism. Ephesians 4:4-6
- F. Sprinkle - “rhantizo” Pour - “ballo”

II. SAVING BAPTISM IS:

- A. By Jesus’ authority. Matthew 28:18-19
- B. In Jesus’ name. Acts 2:38
- C. To wash away sins. Acts 22:16
- D. To get into Christ. Galatians 3:27
 - 1. Where all spiritual blessings are. Ephesians 1:3
- E. For salvation. I Peter 3:21

III. WHO SHOULD NOT BE BAPTIZED?

- A. Unbelievers. Mark 16:15-16
 - 1. This leaves out babies too!
- B. The unrepentant. Acts 2:38

CONCLUSION:

- A. Only those who believe in Jesus as God’s Son and who turn from their sins benefit from baptism.
- B. Without faith & repentance you only get wet, not saved!
- C. If your baptism was not done in the Bible way and for the Bible reasons, then you need to be sure you do it right.
- D. Won’t you come to Jesus today and obey Him and be saved?