

# BAPTISM FOR DISCIPLES (LEAVING SATAN'S CLUB!)

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**TEXT: Ecclesiastes 12:13** Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and **keep his commandments**: for this is the whole duty of man.

**14** For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

**Matthew 28:18** And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

**19 Go** ye therefore, and **teach** all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

**20 Teaching** them to observe all things **whatsoever I have commanded you**: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Acts 10:43 To him give all the prophets witness,  
that through his name whosoever  
**believeth** in him shall receive remission of sins.

47 Can any man forbid water, that these should  
not be baptized, which have received the  
Holy Ghost as well as we?

48 And he **commanded** them to be baptized in  
the name of the Lord.

**1. Believe.**

**2. Commitment to open**

**Discipleship - Baptism.**

**3. Church membership.**

Acts 2:41 Then they that **gladly received his word were baptized**: and the same day there were **added** unto them about three thousand souls.

47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord **added to the church** daily such as should be saved.

**"The first thing being made manifest, that all believers are to be baptized...I come to the second thing I promised to discover to you which was the command of Christ, for those that were baptized to be added to the Church."**

**(Edward Drapes, The Visible Worship of God)**

**"Baptism is the ceremonial qualification for church membership. There can, according to the Scriptures, be no visible church without baptism..."**

**(Pendleton)**



**"[Immersion in water is]...a prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation..."**

**(New Hampshire Confession of Faith, Art. IV)**

# Baptism for Disciples!:

John 8:31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye **continue** in my word, then are ye my **disciples** indeed;

**Luke 14:33 So likewise,  
whosoever he be of you that  
forsaketh not all that he hath,  
he cannot be my disciple.**

"Baptism is the first thing after a person is disciplined to Christ. It is the believer's first public duty. It is the first external manifestation of his internal piety. **It is an open avowal of allegiance to Christ.**"

(Pendleton)

2 Timothy 2:19...And, Let  
every one that nameth the  
name of Christ **depart from**  
**iniquity.**

1 Timothy 2:8 I will  
therefore that men pray  
every where, **lifting up holy  
hands**, without wrath and  
doubting.

John Clark, III News from New England,  
London; 1652:

"I testify that Baptism, or dipping in Water, is one of the Commandments of this Lord Jesus Christ. A **visible believer, or Disciple** of Christ Jesus (that is, one that **manifests** repentance towards God, and Faith in Jesus Christ) is the only person that is to be baptized...

That **visible person** is to walk in that visible order of His House, and so to wait for His coming the Second time in the form of a Lord, and King, with His glorious Kingdom according to promise...yea ought in point of duty to improve that Talent His Lord has given unto him...Every man being such as shall appear before the judgment seat of Christ, and must give an account of himself to God."



"[Baptism] is the **great public act** by which we assume his name; and subscribe ourselves His servants; and it is **the declaration** of Christ to us and the world that our sins are washed away: and thus we may be said to declaratively wash our sins away. It is our badge of discipleship; in its waters we 'put on Christ' - **openly avow our interest in**, and our dependence on, Him. Primitive believers were known as such by their baptism...without this, they would **not have been recognized as disciples, or followers, or friends, of Christ.** Here, also, to the eye of others, we take our stand among the disciples of Christ." (J.R. Graves)

1 Peter 3:20...in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

21 The whereunto even baptism doth also now save us **like figure** (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

**"'The like figure whereunto baptism doth now also save us.' If baptism is only a figure, whatever it is said to do, or we are said to do in or by it, must be done figuratively...If it washes away our sins, it does it figuratively, i.e., declaratively."**

**(James R. Graves, Christian Baptism)**

**Galatians 3:27 For as many  
of you as have been  
baptized into Christ have  
put on Christ.**

**1 Corinthians 10:1** Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea;

**2** And were **all baptized unto Moses** in the cloud and in the sea;

**4** And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

**5** But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

**6** Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

## ROBERT GOVETT:

"The escape of Noah and his family in the ark is presented to us as a type of Christian Baptism. 1 Peter iii. 20, 21. The escape of Israel through the Red Sea is also set forth by the Holy Ghost as a figure of the same ordinance. Both events then foreshadowed baptism, but each presents it in a different point of view. The baptism of Noah sets forth the escape of the believer from the wrath of God, through death into the endless life of the resurrection. The baptism of the Red Sea represents the believer as escaping from the bondage of the law and Satan, of the world and the flesh, by the same path; his dying to them, and rising to a new life beyond their dominion...

**Egypt, then, as applied to us, answers to the world. And from Egypt was Israel to be delivered. But there was a ruler of Egypt who resisted their departure. To whom then does Pharaoh answer now? It is not difficult to reply. If Egypt be the world, the King of Egypt must correspond to the world's prince, that is, to Satan...as the cloud led Israel at once down to the water, so does the Holy Spirit direct the convert, as his next step of faith, to baptism. Thus it was at Pentecost. No sooner did the three thousand believe in Jesus as the Messiah, inquiring with zealous earnestness, "What shall we do?" than the Holy Spirit...directs them to be baptized...Thus we are taught that faith in the blood of Jesus should precede baptism...**

**The rising up of Pharaoh and his people in order to enslave Israel again, sets forth that which the believer often experiences, that after a short interval of peace, the lust of the flesh and the bondage of the law, after appearing for a while stunned and powerless, again rise up and threaten to bring him into subjection. The Egyptians, as I judge, answer to the lusts of the flesh; as it is written: 'The people fled.' Now it is from Egyptian lusts that we are commanded to flee. 'Flee also youthful lusts' 2 Tim. ii. 22...'Those are mine,' said Pharaoh in his heart, 'and they shall return to bondage again'...It was a delivering them up to the guidance and authority of Moses.**



**'They were baptized unto...Moses'...They put on Moses, as we put on Christ...Even thus, it is with the baptism of water appointed by Christ. It binds us to discipleship. It pledges us to obedience. We take His name into Whom we are baptized...We are taught that faith is first necessary. Israel is redeemed from Pharaoh's power by faith in the blood of the Lamb. 'By faith, they kept the passover and the shedding of blood.' Had it not been for the blood on their doors, they also had been swallowed up in the Red Sea. But once redeemed by blood, they are no longer to tarry in Egypt. Thus are we instructed, that the first step of redemption is faith in the sprinkled blood of Christ; the second, is the leaving Egypt, testified by passing through the waters of baptism...Israel must not stay in Egypt when redeemed...**

**Now, as infants cannot believe in the blood of Jesus, they cannot rightly be brought to baptism...see also the unscripturalness of baptismal regeneration...This is to suppose that the entrance into the waters made every Egyptian an Israelite...'All passed through the sea.' Hence, the Holy Spirit's mind concerning the baptized is, that they should be in the water, under the water, and lastly, pass through the water. Here is baptism completely pictured. Can this be done in any way but by immersion?...sprinkling or pouring are far more convenient, but God rejected the convenient way of escape, and so must the believer..."**

## INTO ONE BODY:

**1 Corinthians 12:13 For by one Spirit are we all **baptized into one body**, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.**

Luke 2:27 And he came **by**  
**the Spirit** into the temple...

Matthew 3:11 I indeed **baptize you with water** unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall **baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:**

12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will **burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.**

Colossians 1:18 And he is  
the head of **the body, the  
church...**

Ephesians 1:22 And hath put  
all things under his feet, and  
gave him to be the head over  
all things to **the church**,  
23 Which is **his body**...

Ephesians 5:23 For **the husband** is the head of **the wife**, even as Christ is the head of **the church**: and he is the saviour of the body.



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**"And in I Cor. 12:13, that by one Spirit they were all baptized into one BODY VIZ. THAT THEY WERE JOINED TO THE CHURCH BY BAPTISM; of whom it is said, I Cor. 11:2, THAT THEY KEPT THE ORDINANCES AS THEY WERE DELIVERED TO THEM."**

**(Henry D'Anvers, A Treatise of Baptism; London, 1674)**

**"And that water baptism is here meant is the judgment of the most learned expositors, and the next words do make it appear, We have been all made to drink into one spirit. By being baptized into one body and made to drink into one Spirit. The apostle shows the communion which believers have with the Holy Spirit in the Two Ordinances, baptism and the Lord's Supper." (Kiffen, A Sober Discourse of Right to Church-Communion, 1681)**

**"If we read 'baptism of repentance,'  
we must understand that it is an act  
professing repentance - declaring  
one in the exercise of repentance."**

**(J.R. Graves)**

"By faith we receive Christ and all the blessings that flow from a union with him; and in **the act of baptism we confess Christ, and avouch our allegiance to him as our Savior and Lawgiver**...Baptism not alone does this; good works - all outward obedience - do it also..." (J.R. Graves)

# Why Don't Many Believers Confess Christ openly?:

John 12:42 Nevertheless among the chief rulers also **many believed on him**; but because of the Pharisees they did **not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue:**

John 9:22 These words spake his parents, because they **feared the Jews**: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, **he should be put out of the synagogue.**

Revelation 2:9...I know the  
blasphemy of them which say  
they are Jews, and are not,  
but are **the synagogue of  
Satan.**



2 Corinthians 4:4 In whom the  
**god of this world** hath blinded  
the minds of them which  
believe not...

Ephesians 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to **the prince of the power of the air**, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

## Remember your Baptism!:

Romans 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

3 **Know ye not**, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

**Galatians 6:14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.**

James 4:4 Ye adulterers and  
adulteresses, know ye not that  
the friendship of the world is  
enmity with God? **whosoever  
therefore will be a friend of the  
world is the enemy of God.**

John 7:7 The world cannot  
hate you; but me it hateth,  
**because I testify of it, that the  
works thereof are evil.**

John 15:19 If ye were  
of the world, the  
world would love **his**  
own...

**1 John 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.**

**16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.**



Hebrews 11:24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, **refused** to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

25 **Choosing** rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

27 By faith he **forsook Egypt**, not fearing the wrath of the king...

Titus 2:11 For the **grace of God** that  
bringeth salvation hath appeared to all  
men,

**12 Teaching us** that, denying ungodliness  
and worldly lusts, we should live  
soberly, righteously, and godly, in this  
present world;

**13 Looking for that blessed  
hope, and the glorious  
appearing of the great God  
and our Saviour Jesus Christ;**

**Acts 22:16 And now why  
tarriest thou? arise, and  
be baptized...**