

The Disciple's Need for Baptism

Matthew 28:18–20

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1. The [command](#) for baptism.

Matt. 28:18–20; Mark 16:15–16; Acts 2:38; 22:14–16

2. The [nature](#) of baptism.

- A. By [immersion](#). *Acts 8:38–39*

Greek word βαπτίζω—“dip, immerse.”

- B. In God's [name](#). *Matt. 28:19–20; Acts 10:47–48*

- C. [Symbolic](#), not salvific. *Rom. 6:3–4; 1 Cor. 12:13*

- D. For [believers](#) only (not for [infants](#)). *Acts 2:41*

Not one [infant](#) baptism is recorded in the New Testament.

3. Some [examples](#) of baptism.

- A. [Jesus](#). *Luke 3:21–22*

- B. Believers on Day of [Pentecost](#). *Acts 2:41*

- C. Believers in [Samaria](#). *Acts 8:12*

- D. Ethiopian [eunuch](#). *Acts 8:36–38*

- E. [Saul/Paul](#). *Acts 9:17–18; 22:14–16*

- F. [Cornelius](#). *Acts 10:45–48*

- G. [Lydia](#). *Acts 16:14–15*

- H. Philippian [Jailer](#). *Acts 16:30–33*

- I. The [Corinthians](#). *Acts 18:8*

4. The [proclamation](#) of baptism.

- A. Baptism [portrays](#) the Gospel. *1 Cor. 15:1–4*

- B. Baptism [proclaims](#) the Gospel!



How Is Your Heart?

Proverbs 4:23
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1. The [corruption](#) of your heart.
 - A. It is [wicked](#) and [evil](#). *Gen. 6:5; 8:21*
 - B. It is [deceitful](#) and [sick](#). *Jer. 17:9*
 - C. It's the source of [sin](#) that [defiles](#) you. *Matt. 15:18–20*

2. The [cure](#) for your heart. *Ez. 36:26–27*
 - A. God must remove your [old](#) heart. *Ez. 36:26b*
 - B. God must give you a [new](#) heart. *Ez. 36:26a*
 - C. God must fill your heart with His [Spirit](#). *Ez. 36:27*

3. Jesus [changes](#) your heart.
 - A. He makes it a [happy](#) heart. *Prov. 15:13; 15:15; 17:22*
 - B. He makes it a [holy](#) heart. *Psalms 51:10; Matt. 5:8*
 - C. He makes it a [heavenly](#) heart. *Psalms 24:3–5; Col. 3:1–2*

4. You must take [care](#) of your heart.
 - A. Stay [open](#) to God. *Psalms 139:23–24*
 - B. Stay in [love](#) with God. *Mark 12:30*
 - C. Stay [obedient](#) to God. *Psalms 19:14*
 - D. Stay focused on God's [Word](#). *Jer. 31:33; Psalms 119:9–11*

