



The

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THAT SAVES

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A TRANSLITERATION

baptisma (βάπτισμα, 908),
“baptism,” consisting of
the processes of
immersion, submersion
and emergence (from
bapto, “to dip”)

Vine, W. E., Unger, M. F., & White, W., Jr. (1996). *Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words* (Vol. 2, p. 50). Nashville, TN: T. Nelson.

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- ❖ The term typically refers to being immersed in water - John 3:23; Acts 8:36-39; 10:48
- ❖ Is used figuratively on a few occasions - Mt 3:7, 10-12; Mk 10:38-39; Ac 1:5-8

Baptisms of the Bible

Baptism	Purpose	Fulfilled?	Continues
Moses 1 Cor. 10:1-2	"Unto Moses"	✓ Yes	✗ No
John /Water Mt. 3:11	"remission of sins" prepare for Christ	✓ Yes	✗ No
Suffering Mk. 10:38-39	Christ & apostles cost of bringing	✓ Yes	✗ No
Holy Spirit Mt. 3:11	Sign on apostles & on House of	✓ Yes	✗ No
Jesus /Water Acts 2:38	Salvation-Into Christ-Rom. 6:3,4	Began in Acts 2	✓ Yes
Fire Mt. 3:7, 10-12	Punishment of Unbelievers	Ad 70 / Not Yet	Yet in the Future

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The One Baptism of Ephesians 4:5



EPHESIANS 4:4-6 (NKJV)

⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

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27 A.D. - 41 A.D. **FROM BAPTISMS TO BAPTISM**

27 A.D. - Mt. 3:11;
Mk. 1:8; Lk. 3:16

Three Baptisms (John's; Holy Spirit & Fire)

30 A.D. - Acts 1:5-8;
2:1-4, 38

Two Baptisms (*Holy Spirit & the baptism of the great commission - in the name of Jesus.*)

41 A.D. - Acts
10:44-48; 11:15-16

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62 A.D. - Eph. 4:4-6

“One Baptism” - The baptism of the great commission - Baptism in the name of Jesus.

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- ❖ Commanded by the Lord to be administered by men in fulfilling the great commission - Mt 28:18-20; Mk 16:15,16
- ❖ Administered to believers on the day of Pentecost in obedience to the great commission - Acts 2:37-41
- ❖ Continued to be administered throughout the book of Acts & continues throughout the age - Mat 28:19-20; Mk 16:16

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Baptism In The Name of Jesus Is

ACTS 2:38 (NKJV)

³⁸ Then Peter said to them,
"Repent, and let every one of you
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Jesus Christ for the remission of
sins; and you shall receive the
gift of the Holy Spirit. ... ⁴¹ Then
those who gladly received his
word were baptized; and that day
about three thousand souls were
added *to them*.



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- ❖ Unto the remission of sins - (Ac 22:16)
- ❖ Distinct from H S baptism, reception
- ❖ Involves water - (Acts 8:36-39; 10:47)
- ❖ A command to be obeyed requiring correct understanding & action.

- ❖ **ACTS 2:38 (NKJV)** – Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ **ACTS 8:16 (NKJV)** For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.
- ❖ **ACTS 10:48 (NKJV)** And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days.
- ❖ **ACTS 19:5 (NKJV)** When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

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Baptism In The Name of Jesus Is

- ❖ Baptism “in (*epi* - upon) the name of Jesus Christ” does not rest upon His designation – but upon His person & authority.
- ❖ To be baptized “in (*epi* - upon) the name of Jesus Christ” – means the sinner being baptized recognizes the sacrifice and exaltation of Christ as the ground of his salvation.

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- ❖ When the sinner was baptized in [*eis* - *into*] the name of the Lord Jesus, he placed his confidence in the sacrifice and Lordship of the Son of God.
- ❖ The sinner was baptized INTO union and communion with the one Who died – (Rom. 6:3-6)

Acts 8:16 (NKJV)
¹⁶ For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in [*eis*] the name of the Lord Jesus.

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- ❖ The command had force or power due to the authority residing in Christ - (Mat 28:18)
- ❖ Baptism “In (ἐν - *in*) the name of the Lord” means one is baptized in recognition of the commandment of the Son of God.

Acts 10:48 (NKJV)
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Unscriptural Baptisms

Baptisms That Cannot Save



- ❖ The baptism of the Holy Spirit - occurred two times in the NT - was not to save - not for us today - Acts 1:5,8; 10:44-46
- ❖ The baptism of John - Acts 1:5; 19:1-6; Mat 28:18; 2:38; 8:12,16; 10:48

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Matthew 15:7-9

- ❖ Infant baptism – Acts 8:36,37
- ❖ Sprinkling or pouring water on someone – Acts 8:38,39
- ❖ Because one has already been saved – Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16
- ❖ As an outward sign of an inward grace – 1 Pet 3:21; Col. 2:11-13
- ❖ To become a member of a denomination – Ac 2:38,41,47; 8:36-39; Rom 6:3-6; Gal 3:27; Col 2:12,13

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How Does Baptism Save Us?



- ❖ The saving power of baptism is not in the water or in the act itself - Act 19:1-6; 1 Kings 5; Josh 6
- ❖ The saving power of baptism is not in person doing the baptizing - Acts 22:16; Col 2:12-13
- ❖ The saving power lies in:
 - ☑ What Christ has done for us - Rom 6:3-6; 1 Peter 3:21
 - ☑ Our faith's response to God's promise & command - Col 2:12,13; 1 Pet 1:22,23

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How Does Baptism Save Us?



- ❖ Faith requires a knowledge of the truth - not only about the person & authority of Jesus Christ, but also knowledge of the purpose for our obedience - Rom 10:17; Acts 2:38-41; 8:12; 19:1-6
- ❖ One cannot be taught wrong, believe wrong and obey right - Acts 19:1-6

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How Does Baptism Save Us?



- ❖ When the believer is baptized in the name of Christ, the believer is:
 - ❖ Forgiven of sins by contacting the blood of Christ - Acts 2:38; 22:16; Rom 6:3; Col. 2:12,13
 - ❖ Added to the body of Christ - Acts 2:38,41,47; 1 Cor 12:13; Galatians 3:26,27
 - ❖ Raised to walk in newness of life - Jn 3:3-5; Rom 6:3-6; Col 2:12,13; Tit 3:5; 1 Pet 1:22,23

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Have You Been Baptized?



❖ If NOT - I pray that you will not leave today without having your sins washed away and being added to the body of Christ!

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Have You Been Baptized?



- ❖ If So - When? – How? – Why?
- ❖ If so - were you baptized unto the remission of sins? - Acts 2:38; 22:16; Col. 2:12,13
- ❖ If so - “into what were you baptized?” - Acts 19:1-6
- ❖ Did you obey from the heart the form of doctrine taught in the scriptures? Rom 6:16-18

Remove Any Doubt Today!

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ACTS 19:1-7 (NKJV)

¹ And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul, having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus. And finding some disciples ² he said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” So they said to him, “We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit.”

ACTS 19:1-7 (NKJV)

³ And he said to them, “Into what then were you baptized?” So they said, “Into John’s baptism.” ⁴ Then Paul said, “John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.”

ACTS 19:1-7 (NKJV)

⁵ When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶ And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. ⁷ Now the men were about twelve in all.

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