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DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CONCERNING BAPTISM AND DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START? WE GET IT. THAT'S WHY WE'VE PUT TOGETHER FIVE COMMON QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS CONCERNING BAPTISM. TAKE A LOOK!

1. WHAT IS BAPTISM?

BAPTISM SYMBOLIZES JESUS' DEATH, BURIAL, AND RESURRECTION. BAPTISM IS THE NEXT STEP THAT YOU TAKE AFTER YOU HAVE ASKED JESUS TO BECOME YOUR LORD AND SAVIOR. BAPTISM IS A POWERFUL PUBLIC DISPLAY OF YOUR FAITH AND SHOWS OTHERS THAT YOU ARE "ALL IN" FOR JESUS. (ROMANS 6:3-4)

2. WHY SHOULD I GET BAPTIZED?

JESUS WAS BAPTIZED BY JOHN THE BAPTIST AND WE SHOULD FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE! (MATTHEW 3:16-17) BEFORE JESUS ASCENDED BACK TO HEAVEN, HE COMMANDED US TO GO AND MAKE NEW DISCIPLES, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, SON, & HOLY SPIRIT. THIS IS CALLED THE GREAT COMMISSION. (MATTHEW 28:19-20)

3. WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU'RE BAPTIZED?

FIRST, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO MAKE A PUBLIC DECLARATION OF YOUR FAITH. SECOND, **WHEN YOU GO UNDERWATER**, THIS ACT SYMBOLIZES JESUS' DEATH AND SHOWS THAT YOU ARE DYING TO YOUR "OLD SELF" OR WAY OF LIVING. LASTLY, **WHEN YOU COME OUT OF THE WATER**, THIS REFLECTS JESUS' RESURRECTION. THIS MEANS THAT YOU HAVE A NEW IDENTITY. **YOU ARE NOW A BRAND-NEW PERSON IN CHRIST JESUS!**

4. CAN'T I JUST GET SPRINKLED WITH WATER?

THE WORD BAPTIZE MEANS TO DIP, IMMERSE, SINK INTO, OR PLUNGE INTO THE WATER. SCRIPTURE REMINDS US THAT JESUS AND EVERY PERSON IN THE NEW TESTAMENT WAS BAPTIZED IN THIS MANNER.

5. WHAT IF I CAN'T ATTEND SERVICES IN-PERSON? CAN I STILL GET BAPTIZED?

YES! AS A FOLLOWER OF JESUS, YOU CAN STILL GET BAPTIZED EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO JOIN US AT OUR PHYSICAL LOCATION. GET BAPTIZED RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE!

SCHEDULE YOUR BAPTISM WITH SOMEONE ON OUR BAPTISMAL TEAM TODAY!

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