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# BAPTISM F.A.Q.

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## Your Questions Answered

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### What is the meaning of baptism?

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**It illustrates Christ's burial and resurrection** (1 Corinthians 15:3-4; Colossians 2:12).

**It illustrates new life as a Christian.** Baptism doesn't make you a believer, it shows that you already believe.

Baptism does not "save" you, only your faith in Christ does that. Baptism is like a wedding ring - it's an outward symbol of the commitment made in your heart (2 Corinthians 5:17; Romans 6:4; Ephesians 2:8-9).

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### Why be baptized by immersion?

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Because Jesus was baptized that way (Matthew 3:16).

Every baptism in the Bible was by immersion (Acts 8:28-29). The word, *baptize*, means "to dip under water."

It is a symbol of burial and resurrection!

### Who should be baptized?

**Every person who has believed in Christ** (Acts 2:41; Acts 8:12-13).

**As soon as you have believed** (Acts 2:41; Acts 8:35-38).

There is no reason to delay! As soon as you receive Jesus' FREE gift of salvation, you can and should be baptized. If you wait until you are "perfect," you'll never do it!

### Can my family & friends be baptized together?

Yes, so long as each person understands the meaning of baptism and has personally placed their trust in Jesus for salvation.

### What should I wear?

A dark shirt and shorts; bring a change of clothes, a towel, and a bag for your wet stuff.

### Will I have to say anything?

No, not for everyone to hear; you will just agree to a few questions asked by whomever is baptizing you.



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