

Baptism Weekend – Pastor Mark Pope October 25, 2020

- 1. Share your experiences with baptism weekend. What testimonies resonated most with you? Why?
- 2. Read and discuss Acts 2:38. Discuss why baptism is important and why we should consider it as an important part of our spiritual journey.
- 3. Pastor Mark's first point was that baptism is about fulfilling the details of righteousness. Can you share of a personal experience when you were obedient in spiritual details and how it impacted your life?
- 4. Jesus didn't need to be baptized, yet he modeled an "all-in" attitude of obedience. Why do you think he would do this?
- 5. Read Matthew 13:44-46. How does viewing yourself as being as valuable as a pearl change the way you view yourself? Discuss
- 6. Pastor Mark shared sometimes it is not easy to do the "right" thing. Are you more likely to do the "right" thing or what feel's good? Explain.
- 7. Pastor Mark's second point was baptism is about releasing the power of God. Read Matthew 3:16-17. In what areas of your life do you need a releasing of God's power? Spend some time in prayer as a group over these areas.
- 8. Time to get personal.... Proverbs 28:13 says, "Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy." James 5:16 reads, "Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." Is there something in your life you want to confess so you can be more righteous?