

## **Basic Truth 3 - Baptism** **(5/26/2006)**

### **I. The Meaning Of Baptism**

*Baptism (baptizo): Immersion – To Submerge*

1. The Basis of Baptism (Rom 6:3-11)
  - i. Believing in Christ and His Finished Work
  - ii. “Into” Christ
2. Witness Before God, Angels and Man (Gal 3:27)
3. Receiving by Faith the Fact of Union with Christ (Rom 6:3, 5)
4. Newness of Life (Rom 6:4)

### **II. Why Should A Person Be Baptized?**

1. A Commandment of the Christ (Matt 28:18-20)
2. Wash Away Sins (Acts 22:16)
3. Forgiveness of Sins (Acts 2:38)
4. Saved from the World (John 3:5, 1Pet 3:21, Mark 16:16)
5. Change in Position (Col 1:13, 1Cor 10:1,2)
6. To Be and Stand in Christ (Rom 6:3-5, Col 2:12)

### **III. The Importance Of Being Baptized**

1. Submission to the Lord (Matt 28:18-20)
2. Rescued from the World and Transferred to the Kingdom of God’s Son (Col 1:13)
3. Buried – Total Commitment and Consecration to the Lord (Rom 6:17, 12:1)
4. Public Confession – For Conscience’s Sake (Matt 10:32-33)
5. An Appeal for a Good Conscience (1Pet 3:21)

### **IV. The Condition of Baptism**

1. Believe and Receive the Lord (Mark 16:16)
2. Humility and Confession Before God and Man (Rom 10:9-10)

### **V. The Practice of Baptism (Acts 2:38-41, 8:12, 35-38, 10:47, 1Cor 1:14-17)**

1. Issue of the Mode of Baptism: Immersion to Signify the Reality of Co-Death and Being Raised with Christ
2. Issue of the Baptizer: No Such Restriction Except to be Baptized In the Name of Jesus Christ
3. Issue of Time: No Such Restriction
4. Issue of Place: Where There is Water, No Other Restriction