

LESSON 37: CHRISTIANS BELIEVE IN WATER BAPTISM (COL. 2:12)

Discussion of last week's meeting, readings and events.

A) _____ precedes baptism, along with repentance, and confession of Jesus Christ as Savior.

B) Thus, water baptism is an _____ of an inward reality.

C) Baptism is the answer of a good conscience toward God.

D) We must always remember that it is by grace that we are saved through faith:

E) The Greek word for baptizing is baptizontes, a participle of the verb baptizo. This word is derived from bapto, which means primarily, to dip, plunge or immerse

(I) THE WATER

A. Symbolizes _____ from sin

B. Symbolizes a water grave where we die to the old, or a grave (death) which is the result of sin.

(II) THE ACT

A. _____ to self

B. _____ to life

(III) THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SYMBOLISM

A. Christ baptized into death (Mark 10:38)

B. Went into the grave

C. Resurrected

D. We receive by faith

(IV) INTO CHRIST

- A. Demonstrated outwardly your inward union
- B. Lost identity found in Christ
- C. Public declaration

(V) READ TOGETHER Matthew 28:18

- A. If you have been born-again consider being baptized

Read our pamphlet on Baptism available in the church lobby.

Memorize Matthew 28:18-20.

Pray about when and how you will follow the Lord in obedience through baptism.

SPONTANEOUS THOUGHTS: