

"WHY JESUS ASKS US TO BE BAPTIZED"

A. **Command of Water Baptism** (Why should we be baptized?)

Matthew 28:18-20

B. **Examples of Water Baptism** (When should we be baptized?)

1. Acts 2:41
2. Acts 8:12-13
3. Acts 8:36, 38
4. Acts 16:29-34
5. Acts 18:7-8

C. **Meaning/Purpose of Water Baptism** (What does baptism mean?)

1. It is a necessary, outward way of **identifying oneself with _____**.
 - a. Mark 1:8
 - b. **Public _____ that you are a Christian**
 - 1) Like a _____ for basketball, football, baseball player
 - 2) A statement you *have been saved*, are already a child of God. Not a way to get saved.
 - a) Titus 3:5
 - b) Ephesians 2:8-10
2. It is a **sign of identification with Christ** in His _____, _____ and _____ Romans 6:3-4
3. It is a **sign** that the believer has been **placed** by God's Spirit **into the _____ of Christ**
 - a. 1 Corinthians 12:13

4. It provides the believer with a **clear** _____ before God. 1
Peter 3:21

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