

Collect Assignments

Prayer

The Holy Sacraments

SACRAMENT

A sacred act that...

- OFFers the forgiveness of sins
- Instituted (begun) by Christ
- Connected with God's Word
- Earthly element

By this definition there are only TWO sacraments in the Christian church:

Baptism



Lord's Supper



The Institution and Blessings of Baptism CATECHISM QUESTIONS 265-274

What is Baptism?



What does the word "baptize" mean?

Mark 7:3-4



a.) The Greek word "baptize" means: "to apply water"





Why is the water we use in baptism not just plain water?

Matthew 28:18, 19, 20



a.) It is water that Christ commanded us to use in this special way.

Ephesians 5:26

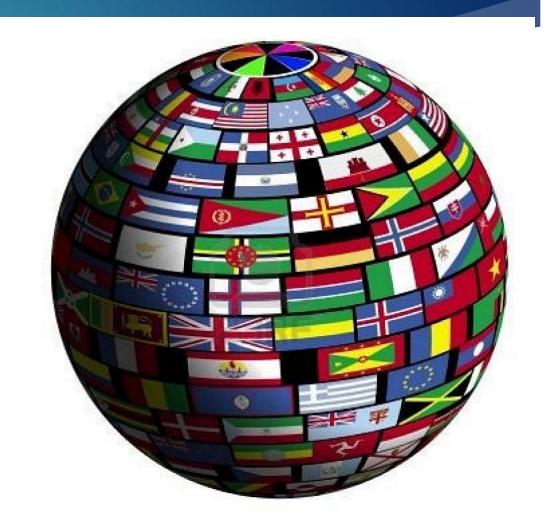


b.) Connected with God's Word this water washes away sin.

Whom are we to baptize?

Matthew 28:19

a.) God commands us to baptize "all nations."



Whom are we to baptize?

Acts 2:38 //
Acts 2:39 //
Acts 16:29ff



b.) We are to baptize adults and children.

Matthew 28:19

Psalm 51:5

Matthew 18:6 // Luke 18:15-17



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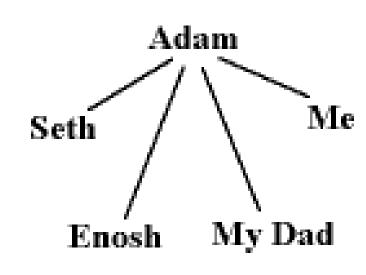
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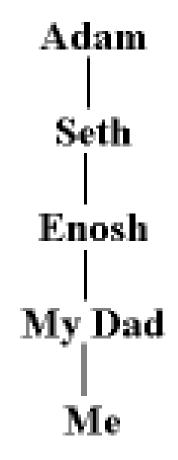
a.) Children are included in "all nations"

Matthew 28:19

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Luke 18:15-17

b.) Children are born sinful

Matthew 28:19

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Matthew 18:6 // Luke 18:15-17



Matthew 28:19

Psalm 51:5

Matthew 18:6 //

Luke 18:15-17

c.) Little children can believe in Jesus

Our baptism practices (pp. 228-229)

- 1. For the sake of good order we ordinarily call pastors to baptize on behalf of the congregation.
- 2. In an EMERGENCY ANY Christian may baptize another person by simply applying water and announcing, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."
- 3. God's Word does not require sponsors or witnesses

God's Word and My Life

What's wrong here: As a pastor pours water on a baby's head he says, "I baptize you in the name of the Creator, Rescuer, and Comforter."

The Blessings of Baptism

Acts 2:38-39

Mark 16:16

a.) Forgiveness of sins ...

Acts 2:38-39

Mark 16:16



Acts 2:38-39 b.) Freedom from all guilt and accusation

Acts 2:38-39

Mark 16:16

c.) Salvation = eternal life, no more fear of death



What great comfort does God give me through these wonderful blessings?

Galatians 3:26-27



a.) I am God's child by faith in Jesus.

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Titus 3:5-7

b.) By grace I am an heir of eternal life in heaven. (God gives me everything that Jesus has!)



God's Word and My Life

Find out on what date you were baptized, if you are not sure, and memorize that date.

Celebrate it!

God's Word and My Life

Reggie explained baptism this way: "It symbolizes the way God forgave me when I turned my life over to him." What is wrong with Reggie's statement?

Assignment for Next Time...

Memory Work:

- Matthew 28:19-20
- Psalm 51:5
- Acts 2:38
- Mark 16:16

Complete Take-Home Quiz

Understand how to perform an emergency baptism.

Memorize your baptism date.

