

What Is Baptism?

Baptism is the immersion of a believer completely in water in the name of Jesus. (We believe in the Holy Trinity; God the Father, God the Son, And God the Holy Spirit). When you baptize in Jesus name you are actually doing it in the name of all three as according to Matthew 28:19 which says "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:" After all Jesus did say in Colossians 3:17 "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him." **Is baptism a church ordinance?** Yes baptism is a church ordinance because Christ commanded it. **Is baptism essential to salvation?** According to the teachings of the scriptures baptism is essential to salvation but not essential to obedience. **How many kinds of baptisms are there?** There is only one baptism. **How do you account for other performances?** There is only one baptism spoken of in the scriptures. **Who are the subjects of baptism?** Believers in Christ are the subjects of baptism. Would it be a Christian baptism if a person did not repent and **believe?** We are commanded to be baptized such as to repent and to believe therefore if a person does not believe then being baptized would not be a Christian baptism. **What is the design of baptism?** Baptism is to show forth the death, burial, and resurrection of the blessed Jesus Christ. **What is the figurative expression of baptism?** Baptism is declared the inward washing away of sins. Why do we believe that immersion is the only proper method of **baptism?** Immersion is the only method that will demonstrate the death, burial, and resurrection. (The Bible Says That We Are Born In Christ By Baptism). **Romans 6:3** Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? **Can any other method show death, burial, and resurrection?** NO! **Would you baptize an infant? Explain Your Answer.** I would not baptize an infant because an infant is not capable of repenting and believing. (One Should Fully Know And Understand What They Are Doing And Why When They Get Baptized).