



Baptism...buried with Him through baptism to walk in newness of life!

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John 3 ¹³ No one has risen into the heavenly realm except the Son of Man who also exists in heaven.” ¹⁴ “And just as Moses in the desert lifted up the brass replica of a venomous snake on a pole *for all the people to see and be healed*, so the Son of Man is ready to be lifted up, ¹⁵ **so that those who truly believe in him will not perish but be given eternal life.** ¹⁶ For here is the way God loved the world—he gave his only, unique Son as a gift. **So now everyone who believes in him will never perish but experience everlasting life.** ¹⁷ “God did not send his Son into the world to judge and condemn the world, but to be its Savior and rescue it! ¹⁸ So now there is no longer any condemnation for those who believe in him, but the unbeliever already lives under condemnation because they do not believe in the name of the only Son of God. TPT

Acknowledge Publicly

Luke 12 ⁸ **“I tell you the truth, everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth, the Son of Man will also acknowledge in the presence of God’s angels.”** ⁹ But anyone who denies me here on earth will be denied before God’s angels. NLT - ⁸ “I can assure you of this: If you freely declare in public that I am the Son of Man, the Messiah, then I will freely declare to all the angels of God that you are mine. ⁹ But if you publicly pretend that you don’t know me, I will deny you before the angels of God. TPT

Baptism = Immersed

Romans 6 ¹ So what do we do, then? Do we persist in sin so that God’s kindness and grace will increase? ² What a terrible thought! We have died to sin once and for all, as a dead man passes away from this life. So how could we live under sin’s rule a moment longer? ³ **Or have you forgotten that all of us who were immersed into union with Jesus, the Anointed One, were immersed into union with his death?** ⁴ **Sharing in his death by our baptism means that we were co-buried with him, so that when the Father’s glory raised Christ from the dead, we were also raised with him. We have been co-resurrected with him so that we could be empowered to walk in the freshness of new life.** ⁵ For since we are permanently grafted into him to experience a death like his, then we are permanently grafted into him to experience a resurrection like his and the new life that it imparts. ⁶ Could it be any clearer that our former identity is now and forever deprived of its power? For we were co-crucified with him to dismantle the stronghold of sin within us, so that we would not continue to live one moment longer submitted to sin’s power. ⁷ Obviously, a dead person is incapable of sinning. ⁸ **And if we were co-crucified with the Anointed One, we know that we will also share in the fullness of his life.** ⁹ And we know that since the Anointed One has been raised from the dead to die no more, his resurrection life has vanquished death and its power over him is finished. TPT

Jesus Baptized

Matthew 3 ¹ It was at this time that John the Baptizer began to preach in the desert of Judah. His message was this: ² “Heaven’s kingdom is about to appear—so you’d better keep turning away from evil and turn back to God!” ⁶ And while they were publicly confessing their sins, he would immerse them in the Jordan River. ⁸ You must **prove your repentance by a changed life.** ¹¹ **Those who repent I baptize with water, but there is coming a man after me who is more powerful than I. In fact, I’m not even worthy enough to pick up his sandals. He will submerge you into union with the Spirit of Holiness and with a raging fire!** ¹³ **Then Jesus left Galilee to come to the Jordan to be baptized by John.** ¹⁴ **But when he waded into the water, John resisted him, saying, “Why are you doing this? I’m the one who needs to be baptized by you, and yet you come to be baptized by me?”** ¹⁵ **Jesus replied, “It is only right to do all that God requires.” Then John baptized Jesus.** ¹⁶ **And as Jesus rose up out of the water, the heavenly realm opened up over him and he saw the Holy Spirit descend out of the heavens and rest upon him in the form of a dove.** ¹⁷ **Then suddenly the**

voice of the Father shouted from the sky, saying, “This is my Son—the Beloved! My greatest delight is in him.” TPT

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Mark 16 ¹⁴ Then Jesus appeared before the eleven apostles as they were eating a meal. He corrected them for having such hard, unbelieving hearts because they did not believe those who saw him after his resurrection. ¹⁵ And he said to them, “As you go into all the world, preach openly the wonderful news of the gospel to the entire human race! ¹⁶ **Whoever believes the good news and is baptized will be saved, and whoever does not believe the good news will be condemned.** ¹⁷ And these miracle signs will accompany those who believe: They will drive out demons in the power of my name. They will speak in tongues. ¹⁸ They will be supernaturally protected from snakes and from drinking anything poisonous. And they will lay hands on the sick and heal them.” TPT

Acts 2 ³⁷ When they heard this they were crushed and realized what they had done to Jesus. Deeply moved, they said to Peter and the other apostles, “**What do we need to do, brothers?**” ³⁸ **Peter replied, “Repent and return to God, and each one of you must be baptized in the name of Jesus, the Anointed One, to have your sins removed. Then you may take hold of the gift of the Holy Spirit.”** ⁴¹ **Those who believed** the word that day numbered **three thousand. They were all baptized** and added *to the church*. TPT

Acts 8 ¹² But as Philip preached the wonderful news of God’s kingdom realm, and the name of Jesus the Anointed One, many believed his message and were baptized, both men and women. ¹³ Even Simon believed and was baptized! Wherever Philip went, Simon was right by his side, astounded by all the miracles, signs, and enormous displays of power that he witnessed. ¹⁴ When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that the Samaritans had accepted God’s message of life, they sent Peter and John ¹⁵ to pray over them so that they would receive the Holy Spirit. ¹⁶ For they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus and were yet to have the Holy Spirit fall upon them. ¹⁷ As soon as Peter and John arrived, they laid their hands on the Samaritan believers, one after another, and the Holy Spirit fell and filled each one of them! ³⁵ **Philip started with this passage and shared with him the wonderful message of Jesus.** ³⁶ **As they were traveling down the road, the man said, “Look, here’s a pool of water. Why don’t I get baptized right now?”** ³⁷ Philip replied, “**If you believe with all your heart, I’ll baptize you.**” The man answered, “**I believe that Jesus is the Anointed One, the Son of God.**” ³⁸ The Ethiopian stopped his chariot, and they went down into the water and Philip baptized him. ³⁹⁻⁴⁰ When they came up out of the water, Philip was suddenly snatched up by the Spirit of the Lord and instantly carried away to the city of Ashdod, where he reappeared, preaching the gospel in that city. The man never saw Philip again. He returned to Ethiopia full of great joy. Philip, however, traveled on to all of the towns of that region, bringing them the good news, until he arrived at Caesarea. TPT

Good Works

Acts 10 ³¹ **He said, ‘Cornelius, God has heard your prayers. Your generosity to the poor has been recorded and remembered in God’s presence.’** ³² **However,** you must send for a man named Simon, the Rock, who is staying in Joppa as a guest of Simon the tanner, who lives by the sea.’ ³⁷ You are well aware of all that began in Galilee and spread throughout the land of Israel immediately after **John preached his message of baptism.** ³⁸ **Jesus of Nazareth was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit and with great power. He did wonderful things for others and divinely healed all who were under the tyranny of the devil, for God had anointed him.** ⁴⁴ While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit cascaded over all those listening to his message. ⁴⁵ The Jewish brothers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on people who weren’t Jews, ⁴⁶ for they heard them speaking in supernaturally given languages and passionately praising God. ⁴⁷ **Peter said, “How could anyone object to these people being baptized? For they have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.”** ⁴⁸ So he instructed them to be baptized in the power of the name of Jesus, the Anointed One. After their baptism, they asked Peter to stay with them for a few more days. TPT