

**Points About Water Baptism 1**

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**Baptism is necessary for salvation.**

1Peter 3:21

Mark 16:15-16

**Baptism remits (washes away) sins.**

Acts 2:38

Acts 22:16

**Baptism is a mystical and efficacious burial with Christ into His death.**

Romans 6:3-5

We come in contact with His blood at this time. That is how baptism remits (washes away) our sins.

**Baptism is commanded.**

Acts 2:38

Acts 10:48

**Baptism was always administered in the name of Jesus.**

Acts 2:38

Acts 8:16

Acts 10:48

Acts 19:6

Acts 22:16

See 1Corinthians 1:13

Here, Paul was indicating that the Corinthians were baptized in the name of the One Who was crucified for them.

**No one in the Bible was ever baptized by saying “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost”.**

Here, Jesus was clearly calling for His Apostles to use the saving name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, not a repetition of the words. They understood that saving name to be Jesus because that is how they fulfilled this command.

Matthew 28:19 was fulfilled by the Apostles on the Day of Pentecost by saying “in the name of Jesus Christ”. That is what Jesus was asking them to do. We can see this in the command He gave them in Luke 24:47, which came after His teaching in Matthew 28:19. Luke 24:47 made it clear that He was referring to His name and that is how they carried it out.

**Everyone in the Bible in the Christian era was baptized in the name of Jesus.**

Therefore, we must go by the examples given us in God's Word. That is the surest way to know what to do. The examples of baptism are in the Bible for us to follow. They show us the correct way to be baptized. We fulfill Matthew 28:19 today in the same way they did— by baptizing in Jesus' name.

**The name of Jesus is above every name.**

Acts 4:12

Ephesians 3:15

Philippians 2:9-11

**We are to do everything in the name of Jesus.**

Colossians 3:17

That would especially include baptism since it is one of the most important things we do regarding salvation.