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Women Preachers

- A. Women required to teach (Tit. 2:3-5; etc), but restrictions exist
- B. Women may not speak in church assembly (1 Cor. 14:34-35)
- C. Women may not teach authoritatively over men (1 Tim. 2:11-12)
- D. Restriction rooted in creation, not culture (1 Tim. 2:13-14)

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Infant Baptism

- A. Baptism requires hearing the gospel (Acts 18:8)
- B. Baptism requires faith (Acts 8:36-38; Mark 16:16)
- C. Baptism requires repentance (Acts 2:38)
- D. Baptism is for forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; Col. 2:11-13)
- E. Infants do not need forgiveness of sins because they are not guilty of sin (Ezk. 18:20; Rom. 9:11; Deu. 1:39; Isa. 7:16; etc)

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Sprinkling & Pouring for Baptism

- A. Baptism is a figurative & literal burial (Rom. 6:3-4; Col. 2:11-12)
- B. Baptism requires much water (John 3:23)
- C. Jesus came up out of water (Matt. 3:16)
- D. Eunuch went down into and came up out of water (Acts 8:38-39)
- E. Greek word literally means immerse

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Sinner's Prayer

- A. No example of a conversion via sinner's prayer in scripture
- B. Saul acknowledged Christ as Lord but unforgiven until baptism
(Acts 9:9-11; 22:16)
- C. Calling upon the name of the Lord involves baptism
(Acts 2:21; 38, 22:16)

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Faith Only

- A. Not justified by faith only (James 2:24)
- B. Faith without works dead (James 2:17)
- C. Must do the Father's will to be saved (Matt. 7:21)
- D. Christ saves those who obey Him (Heb. 5:9)
- E. God will punish those who do not obey the gospel (2 Thess. 1:8)

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Conclusion

- A. Many modern denominational practices absent from scripture
- B. Religious traditions cannot replace God's word (Matt. 15:7-9)
- C. Must not go beyond the doctrine of Christ (2 John 9-10)