

BAPTISM

Jesus was baptized with water and Spirit, and all who believe in him must be, too

[MATTHEW 3:13-17; JOHN 3:3, 5-6]



“Jesus answered, “I assure you, everyone must be born again. Anyone who is not born again cannot be in God’s kingdom. ⁵ Believe me when I say that everyone must be born from water and the Spirit. Anyone who is not born from water and the Spirit cannot enter God’s kingdom. ⁶ The only life people get from their human parents is physical. But the new life that the Spirit gives a person is spiritual.”

[John 3:3, 5-6]



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Random Bible Verses About Baptism

[Acts 2:38] *And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

[1 Peter 3:21] *Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,*

[John 3:5] *Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.*

[Mark 16:16] *Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.*

[Matthew 28:19] *Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,*

[1 Corinthians 12:13] *For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.*

[Romans 6:3-4] *Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.*

Baptism Card

(complete and return to Pastor Greg if you want to explore baptism or dedication further)

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Child's Name: _____

Please contact me. I am still considering baptism or dedication

I want to be baptized I want my child to be baptized I want my child to be dedicated

Your Journey to Baptism

Thanks for inquiring about baptism and/or dedication here at Discovery Fellowship.

Jesus asked everyone who believes in Him to be baptized. Therefore, baptism is a very special moment in your faith journey.

When you're under water during baptism, it symbolizes the washing away of your sins through faith in Jesus Christ. And when you rise up out of the water it symbolizes your rebirth into the family of God.

Immediately after baptism, the Holy Spirit will come alive in you to help you succeed in your new life as a child of God. Therefore, it's always good to pause now and consider how you can be a happier, more productive Christian going forward.

Baptism occurs on Sunday at our regular worship gatherings, or at a special baptism service in a lake, river, or a swimming pool. Infants can be baptized at their parent's request, however, dedicating an infant to God and allowing them to choose baptism on their own later in life is ideal. You can be baptized by being totally immersed in water, or by having water poured or sprinkled around your neck and head.

Baptism Questions

Prior to being baptized, these questions will be asked of everyone 8 years of age and older:

- 1. Do you believe in God?*
- 2. Do you believe your sins are forgiven through faith in Jesus Christ?*
- 3. Do you believe the Bible is the Word of God; His guidebook to help us become the good person He wants us to be?*
- 4. Do you believe Satan is God's enemy who doesn't want us to become the good person God wants us to be?*
- 5. In the fellowship of the Church, will you love God and others, and will you let others know about Jesus?*
- 6. Do you want to be baptized into the Christian Church?*

Parents who choose to dedicate or baptize their infant will be asked similar questions they will answer regarding the upbringing of their child.

If you have questions, please call Pastor Greg @ 269-578-9441. If you are ready to be baptized, or if you want your child to be baptized or dedicated, please return the detachable Baptism Card to Pastor Greg, and he will arrange a time to meet up with you and discuss your new life in the family of God.