

THE CONTENDER

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THE TRUTH ABOUT BAPTISM!

I. Is Bible Baptism Sprinkling, Pouring, Or Immersion? (Note Below)

		<u>SPRINKLING</u>	<u>POURING</u>	<u>IMMERSION</u>
1. ELEMENT--WATER.....	Acts 8:36....	YES	YES	YES
2. MUCH WATER.....	John 3:23....	NO	NO	YES
3. GOING TO WATER.....	Acts 8:36....	NO	NO	YES
4. GOING INTO WATER.....	Acts 8:38....	NO	NO	YES
5. COMING UP OUT OF WATER.....	Mark 1:10....	NO	NO	YES
6. BURIAL.....	Rom. 6:4....	NO	NO	YES
7. RESURRECTION.....	Col. 2:12....	NO	NO	YES
8. WASHING OF BODY.....	Heb. 10:22....	NO	NO	YES

Dear reader, Bible baptism has NEVER BEEN sprinkling or pouring and if you have submitted to such you have yet to be baptized.

II. Am I Saved Before Or After I Am Baptized? (Please Note Again Below)

DOES BAPTISM STAND BEFORE OR AFTER SALVATION?

	<u>BELIEVE</u>	<u>BAPTIZED</u>	<u>SAVED</u>
Mark 16:16	BELIEVE	BAPTIZED	SAVED
John 3:5	BORN	WATER & SPIRIT	KINGDOM OF GOD
Acts 2:38	REPENT	BAPTIZED	REMISSION OF SINS
Acts 22:16	ARISE	BAPTIZED	WASH AWAY SINS
Rom. 6:3		BAPTIZED (BURIED)	INTO CHRIST
Rom. 6:4		BAPTISM	NEWNESS OF LIFE
Gal. 3:27		BAPTIZED INTO	PUT ON CHRIST
I Pet. 3:21		BAPTISM DOTH ALSO NOW SAVE US	
Acts 8:38-39	BELIEVED	BAPTIZED	REJOICING
Acts 16:30-34	BELIEVED	BAPTIZED	REJOICED

BAPTISM STANDS BETWEEN THE SINNER AND SALVATION!

When one is baptized properly one is baptized into the death of Christ where Jesus shed His blood (John 19:30-37, Rom. 6:3-7). At this point God operates and cuts the sinner loose from his past sins and he rises from that watery grave a new creature in Christ. (Col. 2:10-13) One must be baptized in order to become a Christian.

IF WHEN BAPTIZED YOU....

- Put On Christ Gal. 3:27
- Wash Away Sins Acts 22:16
- Have Remission of Sins Acts 2:38
- Are Made Free From Sin Rom. 6:17
- Benefit By Jesus' Death Rom. 6:3
- Enter The Body Of Christ I Cor. 12:13

 * ORDER OF SERVICES *
 *Lord's Day: 10:00 a.m. Worship *
 * 7:30 p.m. Worship *
 Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study

"AND WHY CALL YE ME, LORD, LORD,
AND DO NOT THE THINGS WHICH I SAY?
(Luke 6:46)

WHAT'S YOUR CONDITION WITHOUT IT???

WHAT ARE WE BAPTIZED IN?

In order for us to more clearly see the need of our being baptized in order to be saved, let us note the four areas one is baptized into ESPECIALLY NOTING WHAT THEY CONTAIN.

I. NAME (Matt. 28:19)

What Is In The Name

1. Remission of sin Lk. 24:44f
2. Salvation Acts 4:12
3. Everything a Christian does in word or deed. Col. 3:17

II. DEATH (Rom. 6:3-7)

What Is In Death?

1. Blood Jn. 19:30-37
2. N.T. sealed Heb. 9:13-20
3. Cleansing I Jn. 1:7

III. BODY, CHURCH (I Cor. 12:13)

What Is In The Body?

1. Reconciliation Eph. 2:16
2. Salvation Eph. 5:23

IV. CHRIST (Rom. 6:3; Gal. 3:27)

What Is In Christ?

1. Hope I Cor. 15:19
2. All promises II Cor. 1:20
3. New creatures II Cor. 5:17
4. Redemption Eph. 1:7
5. Forgiveness Eph. 1:7
6. Inheritance Eph. 1:11
7. Salvation II Tim. 2:10
8. Life I Jn. 5:11,12

"THERE IS ONE BAPTISM," (Eph. 4:5)

While the Bible pictures seven baptisms there is only one now in effect.

I. Jesus' Baptism: This was only

for Him and not for us today. (Matt. 3:13-17) It was not for remission of sins but "to fulfill all righteousness".

2. John's Baptism: John baptized

"for the remission of sins" but did not baptize anyone into Christ or His Church. (Mk. 1:4, Acts 19:3-5)

3. Suffering: This was peculiar to

Christ and his apostles (Matt. 20:20-23)

4. Israel's: (I Cor. 10:2)

5. Holy Spirit: This baptism was promised to the apostles that they might remember all that Jesus had taught (Lk. 24:49, Acts 1:5-8). When they, and those that they laid hands upon, died and the perfect law written down there was no longer need for it. See also Acts 10:44-48 and Acts 11:14-17)

6. Fire: Yet to come and refers to hell. (Matt. 3:10-12, Rev. 20:15)

7. The One Baptism: (Matt. 28:19,20, Mk. 16:16, Acts 2:38, Rom. 6:1-18)

THE TEACHINGS ON MARK 16:16

Catholic: "He that believeth not but is baptized shall be saved."

Protestant: "He that believeth but is baptized not shall be saved."

Modernist: "He that believeth not and is baptized not shall be saved."

Christ: "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved"

WHICH ONE DO YOU BELIEVE?

QUESTIONS

1. Is my baptism good if I have been baptized in the Christian Church?

Ans: No. The Bible teaches plainly that there is but one Church (Eph. 4:4; 1:22,23) and only one brotherhood (I Pet. 2:17) which a person is baptized in. (I Cor. 12:13) The Christian Church is a religious institution wearing a different name, having a different worship, work, and organization than the Church of Christ. A member of that institution needs to leave it and enter the Church that Christ built and there is only one way to do this...by baptism.

2. Are not the proper words said when baptizing, "I baptize thee in the name of Jesus only" as per example in Acts 10:48, 19:5?

Ans: No. The Bible gives no example of what actually was said, if anything, when a person was baptized. It is clear however on what was to be DONE and these verses, as others, refer to Jesus as the one having authority to command baptism. Christ commanded baptism to be DONE in the "name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost" (Matt. 28:19) showing all Three behind the act.