

# WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT WATER BAPTISM

## SPRINKLING - OR IMMERSION? A CHALLENGE TO BE SAVED GOD'S WAY, THE ONLY WAY!

- MATTHEW 3:16** John the Baptist was led by the Holy Ghost to set the method of baptism in this scripture:  
*"And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water..."*  
(Baptize in the Greek means 'to immerse' or 'dip', **NOT SPRINKLE!**)
- MATTHEW 28:19-20** *"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I (Jesus) have commanded you..."*
- MARK 16:16-18** *"He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved... And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."*
- JOHN 3:23** John was baptizing in Aenon. Why? *"...because there was much water there..."*
- ACTS 2:38** Peter said: *"Repent, and be baptized... and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."*
- ACTS 8:12** *"But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women."*
- ACTS 8:36 & 38** *"...and they went down both into the water... and he baptized him."*  
(No sprinkling here. Sprinkling is a man-made, unscriptural teaching.)
- ACTS 10: 47-48** Cornelius and his friends had just received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues: Peter *"commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord."*
- ACTS 18:8** *"And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized."*
- ACTS 22:16** *"And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord."*
- ROMANS 6:4-5** *"Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection." (As the Holy Spirit raised Jesus from the tomb).*
- COLOSSIANS 2:12** *"Buried with him in baptism..."*
- 1. PETER 3:21** *"The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us..."*
- LUKE 6:46** *"And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?"*

### **GOD DEMANDS THAT THE PATTERN OF HIS WORD BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED**

#### **GOD GAVE THIS PATTERN ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST THROUGH PETER:**

- ACTS 2:37-40** *"Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation."*

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