

The Seven Baptisms

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1. Water Baptism is always a Figure (Moses & Noah):

- a. 1 Corinthians 10:1-4, “Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all **baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea**; And did all eat the same **spiritual** meat; And did all drink the same **spiritual** drink: for they drank of that **spiritual** Rock that followed them: and **that Rock was Christ**.”
- b. 1 Peter 3:20-22, “Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, **eight souls were saved by water**. The like **figure** whereunto even **baptism doth also now save us** (not the putting away of the **filth** of the flesh, but **the answer of a good conscience** toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.”

2. That Jesus Christ should be made manifest to Israel (Water Baptism):

- a. Matthew 3:1-3, “In those days came **John the Baptist**, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, And saying, **Repent ye**: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.”
- b. John 1:31-34, “And I knew him not: but that **he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water**. And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. And I knew him not: but he that sent me to **baptize with water**, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. And I saw, and **bare record**

that this is the Son of God.”

- c. Acts 19:4, “Then said Paul, **John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance**, saying unto the people, **that they should believe on him which should come after him**, that is, **on Christ Jesus.”**

3. Repent, and be Baptized (#2 Continued Water Baptism [After the Crucifixion]):

- a. Acts 2:22-24, “Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man **approved of God among you** by miracles and wonders and signs, which **God did by him in the midst of you**, as **ye yourselves also know**: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, **ye have taken**, and **by wicked hands have crucified and slain**: Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.”
- b. Acts 2:31-32, “He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption. This Jesus hath God raised up, **whereof we all are witnesses.**”
- c. Acts 2:36-38, “Therefore **let all the house of Israel know assuredly**, that God hath made that same Jesus, **whom ye have crucified**, both Lord and Christ. **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.”

4. The baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized (Suffering):

- a. Matthew 20:22-23, “But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to **drink of the cup that I shall drink of**, and to **be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with**? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye **shall** drink indeed of my cup, **and** be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with:

but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.”

- b. Mark 10:38-40, “But Jesus said unto them, Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? And they said unto him, We can. And Jesus said unto them, Ye **shall** indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; **and** with the baptism that I am baptized withal **shall** ye be baptized: But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared.”
- c. Hebrews 5:7-9, “Who **in the days of his flesh**, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; Though he were a Son, **yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered**; And **being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation** unto all them that obey him;”

5. Baptized with unquenchable fire (The Lake Fire & Brimstone):

- a. Matthew 3:10, “And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and **cast into the fire**. I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall **baptize** you with the Holy Ghost, and **with fire**: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; **but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.**”
- b. Luke 3:16-17, “John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall **baptize** you with the Holy Ghost and **with fire**: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but **the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.**”
- c. Revelation 20:11-15, “And I saw a **great white throne**, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and

there was found no place for them. And I saw **the dead**, small and great, **stand before God**; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and **the dead were judged** out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up **the dead** which were in it; and **death and hell** delivered up **the dead** which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And **death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.** And **whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.**”

- d. Revelation 21:8, “But the **fearful**, and **unbelieving**, and the **abominable**, and **murderers**, and **whoremongers**, and **sorcerers**, and **idolaters**, and **all liars**, shall have their part in **the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.**”

6. **Baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost (Believer’s Baptism in Water as a Figure of #7 See also #1):**

- a. Matthew 28:18-20, “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 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 have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”
- b. Romans 6:3-4, “Know ye not, that so many of us as were **baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death**? 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.**”
- c. Colossians 2:12, “**Buried with him in baptism**, wherein also **ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God**, who hath raised him from the dead.”
- d. Acts 8:35-38, “Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and **preached unto him Jesus**. And as they went on their

way, they came unto a certain **water**: and the eunuch said, See, **here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?** And Philip said, **If thou believest with all thine heart**, thou mayest. And he answered and said, **I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God**. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both **into the water**, both Philip and the eunuch; and **he baptized him.**”

7. By one Spirit are We All Baptized into One Body (Believer’s Baptism):

- a. Ephesians 4:2-6, “With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is **one body**, and **one Spirit**, even as ye are called in **one hope** of your calling; **One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God** and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.”
- b. 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, “For as **the body is one**, and hath **many members**, and all the members of that **one body, being many**, are **one body**: so also is Christ. For **by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body**, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been **all made to drink into one Spirit**. For **the body is not one member, but many.**”

Note: Baptized in what name? Baptized for what cause? (Seven Water Baptisms)

1. The Baptism of John is the baptism of repentance:

- a. Mark 11:30, “**The baptism of John**, was it from heaven, or of men? answer me.”
- b. Luke 20:4, “**The baptism of John**, was it from heaven, or of men?”
- c. Acts 1:22, “Beginning from **the baptism of John**, unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection.”
- d. Acts 10:37, “That word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judaea, and began from Galilee, **after the baptism which John preached;**” and Acts 10:47, “Can any man forbid **water**, that these should not **be baptized, which have received the Holy**

Ghost as well as we?”

- e. Acts 18:25, “This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, **knowing only the baptism of John.**”
- f. Acts 19:4, “Then said Paul, **John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance**, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.”

**2. Baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost:
(Recognizes the Triune Godhead)**

- a. Matthew 28:19, “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:”

3. Baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ is the baptism of Repentance:

- a. Acts 2:38, “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.”

4. Baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus:

- a. Acts 8:16, “(For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only **they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.**)”
- b. Acts 19:5, “When they heard this, **they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.**”

5. Baptized in the Name of the Lord:

- a. Acts 10:48, “And he commanded them to be **baptized in the name of the Lord.** Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.”

6. Baptism into his death (Showing the death, burial & resurrection):

- a. Romans 6:3, “Know ye not, that so many of us as were **baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?** 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.**”

7. Water Baptism is NOT mentioned as required for Salvation:

- a. Acts 28:23-29, “And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them **concerning Jesus**, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, **from morning till evening.** And **some believed** the things which were spoken, and **some believed not.** And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers, Saying, Go unto **this people**, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive: For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. Be it known therefore unto you, that **the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles**, and **that they will hear it.** And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.”

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