

Buried...And Raised Again *With Christ!*



**Text: Matthew 3:13-17, Mark 1:9-11, Luke 3:21-22
Romans 6:4, Galatians 3:27, Colossians 2:12 and 3:1**

I. Introduction

- The meaning of the Greek verb *baptizo* and its root form *bapto*
- Baptism is burial in water; baptism = immersion
- The occasion of Jesus' baptism was the *only* time recorded in Scripture that God said the words, "This is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased!"

II. The Forgiveness Of Our Sins

- **Acts 2:38**
- **Acts 22:16**
- Water has nothing to do with washing our sins away...only the blood of Christ
- We all affirm that baptism by itself does not save a person, but it is part of the God's plan of salvation
 1. Obedience to Almighty God has something to do with salvation
 2. We are commanded within God's word to be baptized
- In order to be scripturally baptized, we must do so *in repentance*
- Since obedience to God has something to do with salvation and baptism is part of that obedience to God, then logically baptism has something to do with salvation

III. Our Identification With Christ

- **Galatians 3:26-27**
- **Mark 16:16**
- **Galatians 3:27**
- **Romans 6:3-5**
- Jesus' words on baptism
- Will we allow Jesus to have the final word on baptism?
- Finally, baptism is:

IV. Our Entrance Into The Body Of Christ

- In our own baptism, we know who we are and to whom we belong

V. **Conclusion**

- Why not be buried and raised with Christ today?