

The Road to Baptism

Acts 8:26-38, 6-13

Questions about Baptism:

- Why do people get baptized? (Gal 3:27)
- When do people get baptized? (Acts 2:38)
- How should one get baptized? (Matt. 3:13-17)
- What is Baptism? Is it a Sacrament or Ordinance?
- What does Baptism do? **Things baptism does:**
 - Publicly declares our faith in Jesus Christ.
 - Symbolically expresses our obedience to Jesus Christ. (Matt. 28:19-20)
 - Identifies and unifies us as members of God's family.

Steps along your journey to baptism:

- You hear the message of salvation. (vv. 6, 11)
- You believe the message of salvation. (v. 12, John 3:16)
- You accept Jesus Christ as your salvation. (v. 14, Rom. 10:9-10, 13-14)
 - Ask Jesus to be Lord of your life.
 - Believe that Jesus was raised from the dead.
- You are baptized to testify to your salvation. (v. 13)
- The Holy Spirit empowers you to live out your salvation. (Eph. 1:13-14)
- You then tell others about your salvation. (Matt. 28:19-20)

Points to Ponder:

- Have you heard, believed, and accepted the message of salvation? If so
- Are others seeing your lives as real testimonies to your salvation?
- Are you allowing the Holy Spirit to baptize you regularly with His sanctifying power because of your salvation?
- Are you telling others about the hope found in your salvation?