

“BAPTISM”

COMMAND

1. “And Peter said unto them, Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” (Acts 2:38).
2. “And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.” (Acts 10:48)

HOW?

1. “And John also was baptizing in Aenon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came and were baptized.” (John 3:23).
2. “We were buried therefore with him through baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.” (Romans 6:4).
3. “Having been buried with him in baptism, wherein ye were also raised with him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.” (Col. 2:12).

FOR

1. “And now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins calling on his name.” (Acts 22:16).
2. “Which also after a true likeness doth now save you, even baptism, not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the interrogation of a good conscience toward God.” (I Peter 3:21; See also Acts 2:38).

INTO

1. **CHRIST:** “For as many of you as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ”. (Gal. 3:28).
2. **HIS DEATH:** “Or are ye ignorant that all we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death.” (Romans 6:3).
3. **HIS BODY:** “For in one Spirit were we all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether bond or free, and were all made to drink of one Spirit.” (I Cor. 12:13).
4. **THE CHURCH:** “...and he put all things in subjection under his feet and gave him to be head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.” (Eph. 1:22-23) (One Body...Eph. 4:4).

WHY

1. We were under the sentence of death. (Ezek. 18:4; Romans 6:23).
2. Christ suffered the penalty for us. (Romans 5:8; Isaiah 53).
3. We participate with Him in His death and resurrection. (Romans 6:3-11).