

## Speaking Truth In Love

Paul asked the disciples of John, “into what then were you baptized?” (Acts 19:3). That question implies all baptisms are NOT alike. The following so-called baptisms are NOT like the one baptism taught in the gospel (Eph 4:5): **Baptism...**

- 1) By sprinkling or pouring (AD 1300’s for infants and infirmed)
- 2) For local church membership
- 3) As proof of salvation previously received

The disciples of John (Acts 19:1-7) were sincerely obeying God to the extent of their knowledge, but their baptism was inadequate. So when they learned they must be baptized “in the name of the Lord Jesus” they did so without delay. The New Testament further describes this baptism: **It is...**

- 1) A command of Jesus Christ (Matt 28:19)
- 2) By the direction or revelation of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor 12:13)
- 3) A burial into the death of Christ (Rom 6:3-6)
- 4) A burial in water (Acts 8:38; Col 2:12; 1 Pet 3:20-21)
- 5) For the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16)
- 6) For a new birth to a new life (Jn 3:5; Rom 6:4; Col 2:12-13)
- 7) For salvation (Mk 16:16; 1 Pet 3:21)

Who may be baptized “in the name of the Lord Jesus”? **One who...**

- 1) Believes the gospel (1 Cor 15:1-4; Jn 20:30-31)
- 2) Repents of sin (Lk 2:46-47; Acts 2:37-38)
- 3) Confesses Jesus as Lord and Savior (Rom 10:9-10)

Will your preacher baptize you “in the name of the Lord Jesus”? Will he baptize you “for the remission of [your] sins”? If you are refused, the telephone number below will put you in touch with someone who will.

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Sunday: 9:30; 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.