BAPTISM

HISTORICAL AND BIBLICAL SIGNIFICANCE

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I. BAPTISM AND THE MOSAIC LAW

The Pentateuch mentions certain rites of purification with water. It does not talk about baptism.

II. BAPTISM OF JOHN (MARK 1:4, LUKE 3:3)

During the time of Jesus it was a Jewish custom to baptize proselites as an initiation into the Jewish faith. But John baptized Jews! The baptism of John was a way for Jews to show repentance. The Jews had not really followed God, and now John was calling them to repentance for the forgiveness of their sins because the kingdom of God was approaching. The idea was that God was about to act. Repentance and obedience would result in blessing, while disobedience would result in a curse. The Jews needed to repent and follow God. John's baptism was a public declaration that a Jew desired to repent and follow God.

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☐ It unites true believers in the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:13).
☐ It makes it possible for believers to participate in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ,
liberating them from slavery to sin (Romans 6:1-4).
☐ It seals true believers in Christ with a guarantee of salvation (Ephesians 1:13-14).

Before the day of Pentecost in the book of Acts it was a future event (Ezekiel 36:26-27, Acts 1:4-5).

On the day of Pentecost it was a present event:

For Jews (Acts 2:1-4)

For Samaritans (Acts 8:14-17)

For Gentiles (Acts 11:15-18)

For uninformed Jews (Acts 19:1-6)

After the above mentioned occurrences it was a past event in the life of anyone who placed personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 12:13)

IV. BAPTISM IN THE CHURCH

A. The commandment to baptize (Matthew 28:19-20)

B. The meaning of baptize

- 1. introduce completely in liquid
- 2. cover with liquid
- 3. make wet with liquid
- 4. pour liquid over something

C. The mode of baptism

There are three basic modes used to baptize in churches today:

- **1. sprinkling** water on someone This illustrates well the purification of sin by the blood of Christ. (Lev. 16:11-16 y Hebrews 9:1-22). There is little historical basis for this.
- **2. pouring** water over someone This illustrates well the pouring out of the Holy Spirit over those who have placed personal faith in Jesus. (1 Corinthians 12:13). In the catacombs of Rome there are paintings that illustrate the use of this practice in the early church.
- **3. immersing** someone in water This illustrates well the central theme of the Gospel: the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. (Romans 6). It appears to be the common method of baptizing in the Biblical record.

D. The theological meaning

1. The Roman Catholic Church teaches that baptism cleanses the newborn baby from the original sin that is inherited from Adam. It should normally be done under the authority of the Roman Catholic Church. It is necessary for salvation. It should be performed for babies that have been born into a Christian home, and also on adults who did not grow up in a Christian home and then place personal faith in Christ (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16). The members of the Catholic Church fear that if they do not baptize their baby soon after birth, the baby could be condemned to hell if he/she dies without being baptized. This practice has resulted in a dependence on the Catholic Church for salvation.

The Church of Christ also teaches that baptism is necessary for salvation, but they apply it only for those who have reached the maturity to understand and receive the Gospel. They believe that the only true baptism is performed under the authority of the Church of Christ. They believe that if someone is not baptized under the authority of their church they will most likely go to hell. They call for all Christians to come under the authority of the Church of Christ and be baptized. As is the case with Roman Catholicism, this creates a total dependence on their church as the only true way of salvation.

2. Churches with a reformed kind of theology teach that circumcision was the sign and seal of the covenant that God made with Abraham. They believe that baptism replaces circumcision as the sign and seal of this covenant for those who are members of the Christian church community. It represents the commitment of God with His people, and the commitment of His people with Him. It is not necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1 and Ephesians 2:8-9). It is for babies who are born in Christian homes to show that they enter the covenant through their parents, who promise to instruct their children to have faith in Christ and live in obedience to the commandments of the covenant. It is also for those who do not grow up in a Christian home and place faith in Jesus as adults. Since the early history of the church the practice of baptizing babies has existed. They understood that there is a direct relationship between circumcision and baptism, as an identification with God's covenant with man. They did not see it to be necessarily related to a personal individual faith of the baby when he/she was baptized (Genesis 17:7-12; Galatians 3:26-29; Romans 4:11; Colossians 2:11-12). This was the point of view of the primitive Roman Catholic Church and the Protestant Reformation.

3. Other churches understand that baptism is a symbol of salvation (Romans 6). It is an act of obedience to the commandment of Christ (Matthew 28:19-20). It is not necessary for salvation (Ephesians 2:8-9). It is only for those who have placed personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and generally is by immersion. Even though this practice began to disappear in the historical practice of the Christian church, it is the point of view that best reflects the teaching of the Bible.

There will be different ideas among Christians concerning the practice of baptism in the church. Each person needs to have a conviction based on the Word of God. One thing that needs to be clear: **Faith in Jesus is what saves (Romans 1:16), not baptism.**

APPENDIX

SOME OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. Paul evangelized many people and established many churches, yet he personally baptized very few people himself (1 Corinthians 1:10-17).
- 2. Assuredly in the mind of the Jew there was a mental crisis when they placed personal faith in Christ, and then later had children. It was a commandment to circumcise Jewish male babies. We should not be surprised that there were heated discussions in Acts 15 when Jewish background believers wanted to circumcise the male babies in the Christian community. This is a very understandable conundrum!
- 3. In the past there were cultural contexts where Christians thought that a good government should obey the laws that God gave to Israel. Moses commanded the circumcision of babies in the Jewish community. Therefore, the Christians thought that they should baptize the babies in the Christian community. They understood that the christians represented the continuation of the true Jewish community both physically and spiritually.
- 4. All of this eventually brought about the idea that the baptism of babies was part of being a patriotic citizen. Anyone who was questioning this and talking about baptizing adults when they believed in Christ was seen by the governing authorities as possibly not being loyal citizens. *

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Matt 3:6 and he was baptizing them in the Jordan River as they confessed their sins.

καὶ ἐβαπτίζοντο ἐν τῷ Ἰορδάνη ποταμῷ ὑπ' αὐτοῦ ἐξομολογούμενοι τὰς ἁμαρτίας αὐτῶν.

Matt 3:11 "I baptize you with water, for repentance, but the one coming after me is more powerful than I am—I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

ἐγὼ μὲν ὑμᾶς βαπτίζω ἐν ὕδατι εἰς μετάνοιαν, ὁ δὲ ὀπίσω μου ἐρχόμενος ἰσχυρότερὸς μοὺ ἐστιν, οὑ οὐκ εἰμὶ ἱκανὸς τὰ ὑποδήματα βαστάσαι· αὐτὸς ὑμᾶς βαπτίσει ἐν πνεύματι ἁγίφ καὶ πυρί·

Matt 3:13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John to be baptized by him in the Jordan River.

Τότε παραγίνεται ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἀπὸ τῆς Γαλιλαίας ἐπὶ τὸν Ἰορδάνην πρὸς τὸν Ἰωάννην τοῦ βαπτισθῆναι ὑπ' αὐτοῦ.

Matt 3:14 But John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you come to me?" ό δὲ Ἰωάννης διεκώλυεν αὐτὸν λέγων, Ἐγὼ χρεἰαν ἔχω ὑπὸ σοῦ βαπτισθῆναι, καὶ σὺ ἔρχῃ πρός με;

Matt 3:16 After Jesus was baptized, just as he was coming up out of the water, the heavens opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming on him.

βαπτισθεὶς δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εὐθὺς ἀνέβη ἀπὸ τοῦ ὕδατος· καὶ ἰδοὺ ἤνεῷχθησαν [αὐτῷ] οἱ οὐρανοἱ, καὶ εἶδεν [τὸ] πνεῦμα [τοῦ] θεοῦ καταβαῖνον ὡσεὶ περιστερὰν [καὶ] ἐρχόμενον ἐπ' αὐτόν·

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πορευθέντες οὖν Matt Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, μαθητεύσατε πάντα τὰ 28:19 baptizing them in the name **ἔθνη, βαπτίζοντες αὐτοὺς** of the Father and the Son είς τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ πατρὸς and the Holy Spirit, καὶ τοῦ υἱοῦ καὶ τοῦ ἁγἰου πνεύματος, ἐγένετο Ἰωάννης [6] In the wilderness John the Mark 1:4 baptizer began preaching a βαπτίζων ἐν τῆ ἐρήμω καὶ baptism of repentance for κηρύσσων βάπτισμα the forgiveness of sins. μετανοίας είς ἄφεσιν άμαρτιών. People from the whole καὶ έξεπορεύετο πρὸς Mark 1:5 αὐτὸν πᾶσα ἡ Ἰουδαία Judean countryside and all of Jerusalem were going χώρα καὶ οἱ Ἱεροσολυμῖται out to him, and he was πάντες, καὶ ἐβαπτίζοντο ὑπ' baptizing them in the αὐτοῦ ἐν τῷ Ἰορδάνη Jordan River as they ποταμώ έξομολογούμενοι confessed their sins. τὰς ἁμαρτίας αὐτῶν. Mark 1:8 έγω έβάπτισα ύμας ύδατι, I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with αὐτὸς δὲ βαπτίσει ὑμᾶς ἐν the Holy Spirit." πνεύματι άγίω. Καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν ἐκείναις ταῖς Mark 1:9 Now in those days Jesus came from Nazareth in ήμεραις ήλθεν Ίησοῦς ἀπὸ Galilee and was baptized by Ναζαρὲτ τῆς Γαλιλαίας καὶ John in the Jordan River. έβαπτίσθη είς τὸν Ίορδάνην ὑπὸ Ἰωάννου. Mark Now King Herod heard Καὶ ἤκουσεν ὁ βασιλεὺς this, for Jesus' name had Ήρώδης, φανερὸν γὰρ 6:14 become known. Some were έγένετο τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ, saying, "John the baptizer καὶ ἔλεγον ὅτι Ἰωάννης ὁ has been raised from the βαπτίζων έγήγερται έκ dead, and because of this, νεκρών καὶ διὰ τοῦτο

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Mark 6:24	So she went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" Her mother said, "The head of John the baptizer."	καὶ ἐξελθοῦσα εἶπεν τῆ μητρὶ αὐτῆς, Τἱ αἰτήσωμαι; ἡ δὲ εἶπεν, Τὴν κεφαλὴν Ἰωἀννου τοῦ βαπτίζοντος.
Mark 10:38	But Jesus said to them, "You don't know what you are asking! Are you able to drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I experience?"	ό δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, Οὐκ οἴδατε τἱ αἰτεῖσθε. δὑνασθε πιεῖν τὸ ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πἰνω ἢ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθῆναι;
Mark 10:39	They said to him, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink, and you will be baptized with the baptism I experience,	οί δὲ εἶπαν αὐτῷ, Δυνάμεθα. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, Τὸ ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω πίεσθε καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθήσεσθε,
Mark 16:16	The one who believes and is baptized will be saved, but the one who does not believe will be condemned.	ό πιστεύσας καὶ βαπτισθεὶς σωθήσεται, ὁ δὲ ἀπιστήσας κατακριθήσεται.
Luke 3:7	So John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You offspring of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?	Έλεγεν οὖν τοῖς ἐκπορευομένοις ὄχλοις βαπτισθῆναι ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, Γεννήματα ἐχιδνῶν, τἰς ὑπέδειξεν ὑμῖν φυγεῖν ἀπὸ τῆς μελλούσης ὀργῆς;
Luke 3:12	Tax collectors also came to be baptized, and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?"	ἦλθον δὲ καὶ τελῶναι βαπτισθῆναι καὶ εἶπαν πρὸς αὐτόν, Διδάσκαλε, τἰ ποιήσωμεν;

Luke 3:16	John answered them all, "I baptize you with water, but one more powerful than I am is coming—I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.	ἀπεκρίνατο λέγων πασιν ό Ἰωάννης, Ἐγὰ μὲν ὕδατι βαπτίζω ὑμᾶς· ἔρχεται δὲ ὁ ἰσχυρότερός μου, οὖ οὐκ εἰμὶ ἰκανὸς λῦσαι τὸν ἱμάντα τῶν ὑποδημάτων αὐτοῦ· αὐτὸς ὑμᾶς βαπτίσει ἐν πνεύματι ἁγίῳ καὶ πυρί·
Luke 3:21	Now when all the people were baptized, Jesus also was baptized. And while he was praying, the heavens opened,	Έγένετο δὲ ἐν τῷ βαπτισθῆναι ἄπαντα τὸν λαὸν καὶ Ἰησοῦ βαπτισθέντος καὶ προσευχομένου ἀνεῳχθῆναι τὸν οὐρανὸν
Luke 7:29	(Now all the people who heard this, even the tax collectors, acknowledged God's justice, because they had been baptized with John's baptism.	Καὶ πᾶς ὁ λαὸς ἀκούσας καὶ οἱ τελῶναι ἐδικαίωσαν τὸν θεὸν βαπτισθέντες τὸ βάπτισμα Ἰωάννου·
Luke 7:30	However, the Pharisees and the experts in religious law rejected God's purpose for themselves, because they had not been baptized by John.)	οί δὲ Φαρισαῖοι καὶ οί νομικοὶ τὴν βουλὴν τοῦ θεοῦ ἠθέτησαν εἰς ἑαυτοὺς μὴ βαπτισθέντες ὑπ' αὐτοῦ.
John 1:25	So they asked John, "Why then are you baptizing if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?"	καὶ ἠρώτησαν αὐτὸν καὶ εἶπαν αὐτῷ, Τἱ οὖν βαπτίζεις εἰ σὺ οὐκ εἶ ὁ Χριστὸς οὐδὲ Ἡλἰας οὐδὲ ὁ προφήτης;
John 1:26	John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not recognize,	ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰωάννης λέγων, Ἐγὼ βαπτίζω ἐν ὕδατι· μέσος ὑμῶν ἔστηκεν ὃν ὑμεῖς οὐκ οἴδατε,

John 1:28	These things happened in Bethany across the Jordan River where John was baptizing.	Ταῦτα ἐν Βηθανίᾳ ἐγἐνετο πέραν τοῦ Ἰορδάνου, ὅπου ἦν ὁ Ἰωάννης βαπτίζων.
John 1:31	I did not recognize him, but I came baptizing with water so that he could be revealed to Israel."	κάγὼ οὐκ ἤδειν αὐτόν, ἀλλ' ἵνα φανερωθῆ τῷ Ἰσραὴλ διὰ τοῦτο ἦλθον ἐγὼ ἐν ὕδατι βαπτίζων.
John 1:33	And I did not recognize him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'The one on whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining —this is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.'	κάγω οὐκ ἤδειν αὐτόν, ἀλλ' ό πέμψας με βαπτίζειν ἐν ὕδατι ἐκεῖνός μοι εἶπεν, Ἐφ' ὃν ἀν ἴδης τὸ πνεῦμα καταβαῖνον καὶ μένον ἐπ' αὐτόν, οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ βαπτίζων ἐν πνεὐματι ἁγίω.
John 3:22	After this, Jesus and his disciples came into Judean territory, and there he spent time with them and was baptizing.	Μετὰ ταῦτα ἦλθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς καὶ οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ εἰς τὴν Ἰουδαἰαν γῆν καὶ ἐκεῖ διἐτριβεν μετ' αὐτῶν καὶ ἐβάπτιζεν.
John 3:23	John was also baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming to him and being baptized.	ἦν δὲ καὶ ὁ Ἰωάννης βαπτίζων ἐν Αἰνὼν ἐγγὺς τοῦ Σαλείμ, ὅτι ὕδατα πολλὰ ἦν ἐκεῖ, καὶ παρεγίνοντο καὶ ἐβαπτίζοντο·
John 3:26	So they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, the one who was with you on the other side of the Jordan River, about whom you testified—see, he is baptizing, and everyone is flocking to him!"	καὶ ἦλθον πρὸς τὸν Ἰωάννην καὶ εἶπαν αὐτῷ, Ὑαββί, ὃς ἦν μετὰ σοῦ πέραν τοῦ Ἰορδάνου, ῷ σὺ μεμαρτὑρηκας, ἴδε οὑτος βαπτίζει καὶ πάντες ἔρχονται πρὸς αὐτὸν.

Ώς οὖν ἔγνω ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι John 4:1 Now when Jesus knew that the Pharisees had heard ήκουσαν οἱ Φαρισαῖοι ὅτι that he was winning and Ίησοῦς πλείονας μαθητὰς baptizing more disciples ποιεί καὶ βαπτίζει ἢ than John Ίωάννης καίτοιγε Ἰησοῦς αὐτὸς John 4:2 (although Jesus himself was not baptizing, but his οὐκ ἐβάπτιζεν ἀλλ' οἱ disciples were), μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ — John Jesus went back across the Καὶ ἀπῆλθεν πάλιν πέραν Jordan River again to the τοῦ Ἰορδάνου εἰς τὸν τόπον 10:40 place where John had been **ὅπου ἦν Ἰωάννης τὸ** baptizing at an earlier time, πρώτον βαπτίζων καὶ and he stayed there. **ἔμεινεν ἐκεί.** For John baptized with ότι Ἰωάννης μὲν ἐβάπτισεν Acts 1:5 water, but you will be ύδατι, ύμεῖς δὲ ἐν πνεύματι baptized with the Holy βαπτισθήσεσθε άγίω οὐ Spirit not many days from μετὰ πολλὰς ταύτας now." ήμέρας. Πέτρος δὲ πρὸς αὐτούς, Acts 2:38 Peter said to them, Μετανοήσατε, [φησίν,] καὶ "Repent, and each one of you be baptized in the βαπτισθήτω ἕκαστος ὑμῶν name of Jesus Christ for έπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ the forgiveness of your sins, Χριστοῦ εἰς ἄφεσιν τῶν and you will receive the gift άμαρτιῶν ὑμῶν καὶ of the Holy Spirit. λήμψεσθε τὴν δωρεὰν τοῦ άνιου πνεύματος. οί μὲν οὖν ἀποδεξάμενοι So those who accepted his Acts 2:41 message were baptized, and τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ that day about three έβαπτίσθησαν καὶ thousand people were προσετέθησαν έν τῆ ἡμέρα added. έκείνη ψυχαὶ ώσεὶ τρισχίλιαι.

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip as he was proclaiming the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they began to be baptized, both men and women.

ότε δὲ ἐπίστευσαν τῶ Φιλίππω εὐαγγελιζομένω περί της βασιλείας τού θεού καὶ τοῦ ὀνόματος Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ἐβαπτίζοντο **ἄνδρες τε καὶ γυναῖκες.**

Even Simon himself Acts 8:13 believed, and after he was baptized, he stayed close to Philip constantly, and when he saw the signs and great miracles that were occurring, he was amazed.

ό δὲ Σίμων καὶ αὐτὸς έπίστευσεν καὶ βαπτισθεὶς ἦν προσκαρτερών τώ Φιλίππω, θεωρών τε σημεῖα καὶ δυνάμεις μεγάλας γινομένας έξίστατο.

(For the Spirit had not yet Acts 8:16 come upon any of them, but αὐτῶν ἐπιπεπτωκός, μόνον they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)

οὐδέπω γὰρ ἦν ἐπ' οὐδενὶ δὲ βεβαπτισμένοι ὑπῆρχον είς τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ.

Acts 8:36 Now as they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, there is water! What is to stop me from being baptized?"

ώς δὲ ἐπορεύοντο κατὰ τὴν όδον, ήλθον έπί τι ύδωρ, καί φησιν ὁ εὐνοῦχος, Ἰδοὺ ύδωρ, τί κωλύει με βαπτισθήναι;

Acts 8:38 stop, and both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

So he ordered the chariot to καὶ ἐκέλευσεν στῆναι τὸ **ἄρμα καὶ κατέβησαν** άμφότεροι είς τὸ ὕδωρ, ὅ τε Φίλιππος καὶ ὁ εὐνοῦχος, καὶ ἐβάπτισεν αὐτόν.

Immediately something Acts 9:18 like scales fell from his eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized,

καὶ εὐθέως ἀπέπεσαν αὐτοῦ ἀπὸ τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν ώς λεπίδες, ἀνέβλεψέν τε καὶ ἀναστὰς ἐβαπτίσθη

Acts 10:47	"No one can withhold the water for these people to be baptized, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we did, can he?"	Μήτι τὸ ὕδωρ δύναται κωλῦσαί τις τοῦ μὴ βαπτισθῆναι τοὐτους, οἴτινες τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἄγιον ἔλαβον ὡς καὶ ἡμεῖς;
Acts 10:48	So he gave orders to have them baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay for several days.	προσέταξεν δὲ αὐτοὺς ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ βαπτισθῆναι. τότε ἤρώτησαν αὐτὸν ἐπιμεῖναι ἡμέρας τινάς.
Acts 11:16	And I remembered the word of the Lord, as he used to say, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'	ἐμνήσθην δὲ τοῦ ὁήματος τοῦ κυρίου ὡς ἔλεγεν, Ἰωάννης μὲν ἐβάπτισεν ὕδατι, ὑμεῖς δὲ βαπτισθήσεσθε ἐν πνεύματι ἀγίῳ.
Acts 16:15	After she and her household were baptized, she urged us, "If you consider me to be a believer in the Lord, come and stay in my house." And she persuaded us.	ώς δὲ ἐβαπτίσθη καὶ ὁ οἶκος αὐτῆς, παρεκάλεσεν λέγουσα, Εἰ κεκρίκατέ με πιστὴν τῷ κυρίῳ εἶναι, εἰσελθόντες εἰς τὸν οἶκόν μου μένετε· καὶ παρεβιάσατο ἡμᾶς.
Acts 16:33	At that hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and all his family were baptized right away.	καὶ παραλαβών αὐτοὺς ἐν ἐκεἰνῃ τῇ ὥρᾳ τῆς νυκτὸς ἔλουσεν ἀπὸ τῶν πληγῶν, καὶ ἐβαπτίσθη αὐτὸς καὶ οἱ αὐτοῦ πάντες παραχρῆμα,
Acts 18:8	Crispus, the president of the synagogue, believed in the Lord together with his entire household, and many of the Corinthians who heard about it believed and were baptized.	Κρίσπος δὲ ὁ ἀρχισυνάγωγος ἐπίστευσεν τῷ κυρίῳ σὺν ὅλῳ τῷ οἴκῳ αὐτοῦ, καὶ πολλοὶ τῶν Κορινθίων ἀκοὐοντες ἐπίστευον καὶ ἐβαπτίζοντο.

Acts 19:3	So Paul said, "Into what then were you baptized?" "Into John's baptism," they replied.	εἶπέν τε, Εἰς τὶ οὖν ἐβαπτίσθητε; οἱ δὲ εἶπαν, Εἰς τὸ Ἰωάννου βάπτισμα.
Acts 19:4	Paul said, "John baptized with a baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus."	εἶπεν δὲ Παῦλος, Ἰωάννης ἐβάπτισεν βάπτισμα μετανοίας τῷ λαῷ λέγων εἰς τὸν ἐρχόμενον μετ' αὐτὸν ἵνα πιστεὐσωσιν, τοῦτ' ἔστιν εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν.
Acts 19:5	When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus,	ἀκούσαντες δὲ ἐβαπτίσθησαν εἰς τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ,
Acts 22:16	And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized, and have your sins washed away, calling on his name.'	καὶ νῦν τἱ μέλλεις; ἀναστὰς βἀπτισαι καὶ ἀπόλουσαι τὰς ἁμαρτίας σου ἐπικαλεσάμενος τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ.
Rom 6:3	Or do you not know that as many as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?	ἢ ἀγνοεῖτε ὅτι, ὅσοι ἐβαπτίσθημεν εἰς Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν, εἰς τὸν θὰνατον αὐτοῦ ἐβαπτίσθημεν;
1 Cor 1:13	Is Christ divided? Paul wasn't crucified for you, was he? Or were you in fact baptized in the name of Paul?	μεμέρισται ὁ Χριστός; μὴ Παῦλος ἐσταυρώθη ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν, ἢ εἰς τὸ ὄνομα Παὐλου ἐβαπτίσθητε;
1 Cor 1:14	I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius,	εὐχαριστῶ [τῷ θεῷ] ὅτι οὐδἐνα ὑμῶν ἐβάπτισα εἰ μὴ Κρίσπον καὶ Γάϊον,
1 Cor 1:15	so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name!	ίνα μή τις εἴπη ὅτι εἰς τὸ ἐμὸν ὄνομα ἐβαπτίσθητε.

1 Cor 1:16	(I also baptized the household of Stephanus. Otherwise, I do not remember whether I baptized anyone else.)	έβάπτισα δὲ καὶ τὸν Στεφανᾶ οἶκον, λοιπὸν οὐκ οἶδα εἴ τινα ἄλλον ἐβάπτισα.
1 Cor 1:17	For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—and not with clever speech, so that the cross of Christ would not become useless.	οὐ γὰρ ἀπέστειλέν με Χριστὸς βαπτίζειν ἀλλὰ εὐαγγελίζεσθαι, οὐκ ἐν σοφία λόγου, ἵνα μὴ κενωθῆ ὁ σταυρὸς τοῦ Χριστοῦ.
1 Cor 10:2	and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,	καὶ πάντες εἰς τὸν Μωϋσῆν ἐβαπτίσθησαν ἐν τῆ νεφέλη καὶ ἐν τῆ θαλάσση
1 Cor 12:13	For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Whether Jews or Greeks or slaves or free, we were all made to drink of the one Spirit.	καὶ γὰρ ἐν ἑνὶ πνεύματι ἡμεῖς πάντες εἰς εν σῶμα ἐβαπτίσθημεν, εἴτε Ἰουδαῖοι εἴτε Ἑλληνες εἴτε δοῦλοι εἴτε ἐλεύθεροι, καὶ πάντες εν πνεῦμα ἐποτίσθημεν.
1 Cor 15:29	Otherwise, what will those do who are baptized for the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, then why are they baptized for them?	'Επεὶ τὶ ποιήσουσιν οἱ βαπτιζόμενοι ὑπὲρ τῶν νεκρῶν; εἰ ὅλως νεκροὶ οὐκ ἐγεἰρονται, τὶ καὶ βαπτίζονται ὑπὲρ αὐτῶν;
Gal 3:27	For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.	ὅσοι γὰρ εἰς Χριστὸν ἐβαπτίσθητε, Χριστὸν ἐνεδύσασθε.

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Matt 3:7

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You offspring of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Ίδων δὲ πολλούς των Φαρισαίων καὶ Σαδδουκαίων ἐρχομένους ἐπὶ τὸ βάπτισμα αὐτοῦ εἰπεν αὐτοῖς, Γεννήματα ἐχιδνῶν, τἰς ὑπέδειξεν ὑμῖν φυγεῖν ἀπὸ τῆς μελλούσης ὀργῆς;

Matt 21:25

Where did John's baptism come from? From heaven or from people?" They discussed this among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Then why did you not believe him?' τὸ βάπτισμα τὸ Ἰωάννου πόθεν ἦν; ἐξ οὐρανοῦ ἢ ἐξ ἀνθρώπων; οἱ δὲ διελογίζοντο ἐν ἑαυτοῖς λέγοντες, Ἐὰν εἴπωμεν, Ἐξ οὐρανοῦ, ἐρεῖ ἡμῖν, Διὰ τἱ οὖν οὐκ ἐπιστεύσατε αὐτῷ;

Mark 1:4

In the wilderness John the baptizer began preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. έγένετο Ἰωάννης [ό] βαπτίζων έν τῆ ἐρἡμῳ καὶ κηρύσσων βάπτισμα μετανοίας εἰς ἄφεσιν ἁμαρτιῶν.

Mark 10:38

But Jesus said to them, "You don't know what you are asking! Are you able to drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I experience?"

ό δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, Οὐκ οἴδατε τἰ αἰτεῖσθε. δύνασθε πιεῖν τὸ ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πἰνω ἢ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθῆναι;

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Mark 10:39	They said to him, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink, and you will be baptized with the baptism I experience,	οί δὲ εἶπαν αὐτῷ, Δυνάμεθα. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, Τὸ ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω πίεσθε καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθήσεσθε,
Mark 11:30	John's baptism—was it from heaven or from people? Answer me."	τὸ βάπτισμα τὸ Ἰωάννου έξ οὐρανοῦ ἦν ἢ έξ ἀνθρώπων; ἀποκρίθητέ μοι.
Luke 3:3	He went into all the region around the Jordan River, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.	καὶ ἦλθεν εἰς πᾶσαν [τὴν] περίχωρον τοῦ Ἰορδάνου κηρύσσων βάπτισμα μετανοίας εἰς ἄφεσιν άμαρτιῶν,
Luke 7:29	(Now all the people who heard this, even the tax collectors, acknowledged God's justice, because they had been baptized with John's baptism.	Καὶ πᾶς ὁ λαὸς ἀκούσας καὶ οἱ τελῶναι ἐδικαίωσαν τὸν θεὸν βαπτισθέντες τὸ βάπτισμα Ἰωάννου·
Luke 12:50	I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is finished!	βάπτισμα δὲ ἔχω βαπτισθῆναι, καὶ πῶς συνέχομαι ἕως ὅτου τελεσθῆ.
Luke 20:4	John's baptism—was it from heaven or from people?"	Τὸ βάπτισμα Ἰωάννου έξ οὐρανοῦ ἦν ἢ έξ ἀνθρώπων;
Acts 1:22	beginning from his baptism by John until the day he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness of his resurrection together with us."	ἀρξάμενος ἀπὸ τοῦ βαπτίσματος Ἰωάννου ἕως τῆς ἡμέρας ἧς ἀνελήμφθη ἀφ' ἡμῶν, μάρτυρα τῆς ἀναστάσεως αὐτοῦ σὺν ἡμῖν γενέσθαι ἕνα τοὑτων.

Acts 10:37	you know what happened throughout Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John announced:	ύμεῖς οἴδατε τὸ γενόμενον ὁῆμα καθ' ὅλης τῆς Ἰουδαἰας, ἀρξάμενος ἀπὸ τῆς Γαλιλαἰας μετὰ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐκἡρυξεν Ἰωάννης,
Acts 13:24	Before Jesus arrived, John had proclaimed a baptism for repentance to all the people of Israel.	προκηρύξαντος Ἰωάννου πρὸ προσώπου τῆς εἰσόδου αὐτοῦ βάπτισμα μετανοίας παντὶ τῷ λαῷ Ἰσραήλ.
Acts 18:25	He had been instructed in the way of the Lord, and with great enthusiasm he spoke and taught accurately the facts about Jesus, although he knew only the baptism of John.	οὖτος ἦν κατηχημένος τὴν όδὸν τοῦ κυρίου καὶ ζέων τῷ πνεύματι ἐλάλει καὶ ἐδίδασκεν ἀκριβῶς τὰ περὶ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ, ἐπιστάμενος μόνον τὸ βάπτισμα Ἰωάννου·
Acts 19:3	So Paul said, "Into what then were you baptized?" "Into John's baptism," they replied.	εἶπέν τε, Εἰς τὶ οὖν ἐβαπτίσθητε; οἱ δὲ εἶπαν, Εἰς τὸ Ἰωάννου βάπτισμα.
Acts 19:4	Paul said, "John baptized with a baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus."	εἶπεν δὲ Παῦλος, Ἰωάννης ἐβάπτισεν βάπτισμα μετανοίας τῷ λαῷ λέγων εἰς τὸν ἐρχόμενον μετ' αὐτὸν ἵνα πιστεὐσωσιν, τοῦτ' ἔστιν εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν.
Rom 6:4	Therefore we have been buried with him through baptism into death, in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too may live a new life.	συνετάφημεν οὖν αὐτῷ διὰ τοῦ βαπτίσματος εἰς τὸν θάνατον, ἵνα ὥσπερ ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ἐκ νεκρῶν διὰ τῆς δόξης τοῦ πατρός, οὕτως καὶ ἡμεῖς ἐν καινότητι ζωῆς περιπατήσωμεν.

Eph 4:5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

Col 2:12 Having been buried with him in baptism, you also have been raised with him through your faith in the power of God who raised him from the dead.

Heb 6:2 teaching about baptisms, laying on of hands, resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.

1 Pet 3:21 And this prefigured baptism, which now saves you—not the washing off of physical dirt but the pledge of a good conscience to God—through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

είς κύριος, μία πίστις, εν βάπτισμα,

συνταφέντες αὐτῷ ἐν τῷ βαπτισμῷ, ἐν ῷ καὶ συνηγέρθητε διὰ τῆς πίστεως τῆς ἐνεργείας τοῦ θεοῦ τοῦ ἐγείραντος αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν·

βαπτισμών διδαχής ἐπιθέσεώς τε χειρών, ἀναστάσεώς τε νεκρών καὶ κρίματος αἰωνίου.

δ καὶ ὑμᾶς ἀντίτυπον νῦν σώζει βάπτισμα, οὐ σαρκὸς ἀπόθεσις ὁὑπου ἀλλὰ συνειδήσεως ἀγαθῆς ἐπερώτημα εἰς θεόν, δι' ἀναστάσεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ,