

2014 ABF University Student Learning Guide

(ABF101)

Section 1: The Definition of Baptism.

1. What are the two ordinances of the church?
2. What does baptism demonstrate?

Section 2: The Methodology of Baptism.

1. Define the Greek term "baptizo".
2. What does Christ's own baptism (Matthew 3:16-17) teach us about the methodology of baptism?
3. Should the method of Baptism be a primary (essential) issue or a secondary (tertiary) issue among Christians? Explain your answer.
4. What instruction does Christ give us concerning Baptism in Matthew 28:19?

Section 3: The Symbolism of Baptism

1. According to Colossians 3:3, what does the entering of the water during baptism symbolize?
2. According to Romans 6:4, what is represented by our emergence from the water during baptism.

Section 4: The Motivation for Baptism

1. In your own words, what are some reasons that every believer should be baptized?
2. What command is given by Christ in Matthew 28:19 ?
3. What command does the Apostle Peter give to the crowd in Acts 2:38 ?
4. What does a lack of desire to obey Christ reveal about one's spiritual condition?
5. How does Christ's statement in Matthew 10:32-33 relate to and provide motivation for baptism?
6. Why is it important to be publicly identified with the body of Christ?
7. How does baptism provide a testimony to God's grace?

Section 5: The ordinance of Baptism

1. Describe the difference between an ordinance and a sacrament?
2. Using the example of Luke 23:42-43, Is water baptism essential for salvation?
3. Briefly describe the doctrine of paedobaptism and contrast it to the doctrine of credo-baptism.
4. When do we see baptism taking place in the following scriptures: Acts 2:41, Acts 9:18, Acts 10:44-48.
5. When are believers to be baptized?

Resources For additional study...

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qY9ymNi0dEE>

<http://www.desiringgod.org/all-resources/by-topic/baptism>

<http://www.gty.org/resources/questions/qa79>

<http://www.ligonier.org/store/baptism-debate-with-rc-sproul-and-john-macarthur-cd/>

<http://www.monergism.com/taxonomy/term/30954/contact?page=1>