



Bring It: Pt. 6; Understanding Baptism

The essence and significance of baptism in the Christian life is emphasized in its vital role in discipleship. Baptism shows our personal acceptance of Jesus which is essential for becoming a disciple. Christian baptism symbolizes a departure from our past and our union with the triune God (The Trinity).

Bottom Line: Baptism is the response of faith to the offer of Jesus.

Discussion Questions:

1. Share a memorable experience you've had with water, whether it's a fun day at the beach, a peaceful moment by a lake, or even a challenging swim? How did that experience make you feel?
2. Describe one of the most significant events that has happened in your life. What made this event significant?
3. **Read Mark 1:4-5 & Matthew 3:13-17.** What stands out to you about the uniqueness of Jesus' baptism compared to John's baptisms?
4. **Read Romans 6:4 and 2 Corinthians 5:17.** How do these verses deepen your understanding of the transformation that occurs through baptism?
5. What are some reasons people might delay or avoid baptism?
6. What steps can you take to ensure that your commitment to Jesus is not kept private but is a public declaration of your faith?
7. What has been the most helpful thought/idea from the message this week? How has that thought/idea helped you?
8. How can the group encourage you this week?

*If time doesn't allow for you to discuss all of these questions, use only the ones you feel would be most helpful for your group.