

Being Water Baptized

What is the origin of the word baptize?

<https://www.etymonline.com/word/baptize>

- Old French batisier "be baptized; baptize; give a name to", Latin baptizare,
- Greek baptizein "immerse, dip in water,"

A. Why be baptized?

Mark 1:9/Luke 3:21 Jesus did it, Jews via Red Sea did it, and the Book of Acts (see next page).

1 Cor 10:1-2 Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

Public identification with Jesus Christ:

Romans 6:1-23 (3&4) Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Public identification with the Body of Christ:

1 Cor 12:13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body...

Gal 3:26-28 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Answer of a good conscience toward God through faith:

1 Peter 3:21 The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer *of a good conscience* toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

Col 2:12 Buried with Him in baptism, wherein also ye are *risen with Him through the faith* of the operation of God, who hath raised Him from the dead.

B. Part of the fullness of the Christian walk.

Acts 19:1-6 And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: *and finding certain disciples*, He said unto them, have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?

And they said unto him, we have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.

And he said unto them, unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism.

Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on Him (Jesus) which should come after him (John), that is, on Christ Jesus.

When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, ***the Holy Ghost came on them***; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

C. Can one can be baptized in the Holy Spirit and not be baptized in water?

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

D. Being Baptized in Jesus name:

Acts 2:38 Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 8:16 For He had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had simply been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip announcing the glad tidings concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptised, both men and women.

Acts 8:16 for he was not yet fallen upon any of them, only they were baptised to the name of the Lord Jesus.

Acts 9:18 Saul/Paul there fell from his eyes as it were scales, and he saw, and rising up was baptised;

Acts 22:16 Now why do you delay? Get up and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name.

Source: <https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/words/Baptised>

Some Thoughts:

What about in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

Matt 28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptising them to the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit;

Jesus fulfills it all...Col 2:9 For in Him (Jesus) dwells all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

Do you need water baptism to be saved? No, we are justified by faith, not by works of the law.

Error quote: Galatians 3:27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Paul spoke about baptism not as the focus of Christianity and salvation, but a part of it:

I Cor 1:12-17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

Good discussion: <https://www.gotquestions.org/baptism-Galatians-3-27.html>