

I Must Be Baptized?

Did God Really Say? – Week 4

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The Need For Baptism

1. By nature we are _____.

Ephesians 2:1 "As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins."

2. By nature we are _____ of God.

Romans 8:7 "The sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so."

3. By nature the _____ is _____.

1 Corinthians 2:14 "The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned."

The Blessing of Baptism

4. Through baptism we are _____

with _____.

Galatians 3:26-27 "You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ."

5. Through baptism we are _____

from _____.

Ephesians 5:25-27 "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless."

6. Through baptism we are _____

and _____.

Titus 3:5-7 "He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life."

7. Through baptism we are _____!

1 Peter 3:21 "And this water now symbolizes baptism that now saves you also--not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

What Now?

"See what a very splendid thing Baptism is. It snatches us from the jaws of the devil, makes us God's own, restrains and removes sin, and then daily strengthens the new man within us. It is and remains ever effective until we pass from this state of misery to eternal glory. For this reason everyone should consider his Baptism as his daily dress, to be worn constantly."

-Martin Luther