

Identification Through Baptism
Various Scriptures

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While there are parallels between baptism and circumcision, they symbolize two very different _____ relationships between us and the Lord. **Ezekiel 36:26-27, Colossians 2:11**

- The New Covenant is ours because He who has promised is faithful and He has given us a new _____ heart!

“The Greek word for ‘putting off’, a double compound, denotes both stripping off and casting away. The imagery is that of discarding – or being divested of – a piece of _____ clothing.” (Vaughn)

- a. _____ Baptism of repentance was done before the cross.
- b. At Salvation, we receive the Baptism of the Holy _____.
 1. _____ receives the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

The promise of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit was fulfilled on the Day of Pentecost; for the first time, people were _____ indwelt by the Holy Spirit, and the church began.

2. _____ does Baptism of the Holy Spirit take place?

The new person in Christ is admonished to **be filled** (controlled by the Spirit), and in the original language this verse teaches us to be _____ **filled** (controlled by) with the Holy Spirit.

3. *What does Baptism of the Holy Spirit do in the life of a believer?*

1 Corinthians 12:13 tells us the Baptism of the Holy Spirit makes us members of the body of Christ; and because we are members of Christ's body, we also have _____ of life.

- c. A _____ or a Water Baptism is a public announcement of a personal decision to follow Jesus as Lord and Savior.

A Believer's (Water) Baptism is for someone who has placed their faith in the _____ work of Jesus Christ to be saved. **Titus 3:4-6**

- Water Baptism is a command not only given by Jesus, but one that was _____ by Jesus as well. **Matthew 3:16-17**
- _____ should someone be Water Baptized? **Romans 6:3-5**

Colossians 3:3 For you _____, and your life is _____ with Christ in God. NKJV

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

1. Discuss the similarities and differences between the Old Covenant directive for circumcision and the New Covenant Baptism. **Genesis 7:9-11, Deuteronomy 30:6, Ezekiel 36:26-27, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, 2 Corinthians 12:9, Colossians 2:11**
2. Discuss the three types of Baptisms found within the New Testament. *Is John's Baptism relevant for today? When does the Baptism of the Holy Spirit take place within the life of a Christian? How should a Believer's Baptism take place? Who is eligible for a Believer's Baptism?* **Matthew 3:5-6, Acts 1:5, Acts 8:26-39, Acts 10:47, 1 Corinthians 12:13, Colossians 2:12**
3. Read **Ephesians 5:18**. What does "filled" mean? What does a Christian do in order to be "filled" with the Holy Spirit? **Ephesians 2:8-10, Titus 3:4-6**
4. *How should a believer be baptized? When should a believer be baptized?* **Romans 6:3-5, Romans 10:9-10, Colossians 3:2-4**