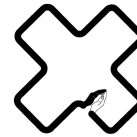


# BAPTISM PREPARATION



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**B**aptism is a joyful and sacred moment in the life of every believer. It is a public declaration of faith, an act of obedience to Jesus, and a celebration of the transforming work God has begun in your life. This guide will help you understand what baptism means, what Jesus requires, and how to prepare your heart and mind for this important step.



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## BAPTISM IS

### 1. Identification with Christ

Baptism is a symbolic act that reflects the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.

When you go under the water, you identify with His death and burial; when you rise again, you identify with His resurrection and new life.

(See Romans 6:3–4)

“Immersion in water mirrors the burial of Christ, and rising out of the water represents sharing in His resurrection.”

## **2. Repentance and Cleansing**

Baptism is an outward testimony of the inward cleansing that comes through repentance and faith.

Acts 22:16 connects baptism with the washing away of sins — not because the water saves you, but because it publicly declares what Christ has already done in your heart.

## **3. Unity in the Body of Christ**

Baptism also marks your entrance into the family of believers.

1 Corinthians 12:13 teaches that we are baptised by one Spirit into one body — a reminder that you are not walking this journey alone.

### **WHAT DOES A PERSON NEED TO KNOW BEFORE BAPTISM?**

The real question we should be asking is, what does the Bible teach about what we should know before being baptised, or, even more to the point, what does Jesus say is the requirement before a person is baptised?

### **CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM NEED TO KNOW ABOUT JESUS**

Jesus says the only thing a person needs to know before baptism is belief in Him, John 8:24. Jesus says, before a person becomes a Christian, they simply need to have the ability to believe and understand the Gospel, Acts 8:35.

## THE COMMITMENT YOU ARE MAKING

Baptism is not a casual decision. It is a public declaration that:

You believe in Jesus

You have repented of your sins

You desire to follow Him

You are identifying with His people

Acts 2:38 / Romans 6:1-7 / 1 Peter 3:21.

## PREPARE A TESTIMONY OR PROFESSION OF FAITH

You will publicly profess your belief in Jesus Christ. You may be asked to share your testimony—the story of your personal faith journey and why you decided to be baptised.

A helpful structure is:

1. Before Christ — What your life was like
2. Encounter with Christ — How you came to believe
3. New Life — Why you are choosing baptism now

Aim for 2–5minutes. Keep it personal, honest, and Christ-centred. .

## WHAT YOU WILL NEED

You will need modest clothing and have swimwear underneath for the Baptism in the sea. A towel and a dry change of clothes (there are toilets available for you to change) Water shoes are optional however may provide comfort on the pebbled beach.

Arrive early so you can meet the team, pray together, and prepare.

The Baptism Process

- You will be guided into the water by the baptism team
- A leader will ask you to affirm your faith in Jesus
- You will be gently lowered under the water and raised again
- The church will celebrate and pray for you