

EMPLOYERS FOR CHRIST: BAPTISM IN WATER (1)

The ordinance of water baptism by immersion in water is a public declaration of our Faith in Jesus Christ. In water baptism we declare that we are burying our old life of sin and judgement. As we are new creation belonging to the Kingdom of God.

KEY POINT: WATER BAPTISM IS THE DECLARATION OF OUR REPENTANCE

Mateo 3:5-6 / NgokukaMathewu 3:5-6 / Matthew 3:5-6 “5 People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. 6 Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.”

KEY POINT: WATER BAPTISM SYMBOLISES THE FOLLOWING IN THE LIFE OF THE BELIEVER

Water baptism symbolises the death, burial and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In water baptism we also see the death, burial and the resurrection of the believer.

- Christ Died - I Died in Him: Baroma 6:6 / KwabaseRoma 6:6 / Romans 6:6 “For we know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin.”
- Christ was Buried - I was Buried with Him: Baroma 6:3 / KwabaseRoma 6:3 / Romans 6:3 “Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?”
- Christ was Raised - I was Raised with Him to the newness of life: Bakolose 2:12 / KwabaseKolose 2:12 / Colossians 2:12 “having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through your faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.”

KEY POINT: THOSE WHO BELIEVE ARE TO BE BAPTISED

Ditiro tša Baapostola 8:36 & 38 / IzEnzo 8:36 & 38 / Acts 8:36 & 38 “As they travelled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?” **38** And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him.”

KEY POINT: WATER BAPTISM IS A COMMAND TO EVERY DISCIPLE

Mateo 28:19 / NgokukaMathewu 28:19 / Matthew 28:19 “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,”

REMEMBER:

1. Water baptism is the declaration of our repentance
2. Water baptism symbolises the following in the life of the believer
3. Those who believe are to be baptised
4. Water baptism is a command to every disciple

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