



Acts 2:22-41

Salvation and Baptism

7 Facts about Baptism that every believer needs to know. (Sermon - Mar 16,2020)

1. You are not baptized to get saved, it has no part in you becoming a Christian. You can be saved and _____ be baptized. Ephesians 2:8-9, Luke 23: 40-43
2. You are baptized _____ you are saved, and because you are saved. Matthew 28:19-20, Acts 2:41, Acts 10:47
3. Baptism shows _____ that you are ready for more and can be trusted. Luke 16:10
4. “Baptizmo” literally means, “to dip”, or “to dunk”, so Biblical baptism is always a “_____” experience. Acts 8:38-39
5. Baptism is a public action _____ your confession of Jesus as Lord. Matthew 10:32
6. Baptism is a _____ / metaphor of our salvation experience with Jesus. Romans 6:3-4
7. Baptism, at least at HBC, is a celebration of a believers boldness, enthusiasm, and obedience to God - reacted to with joy, praise, honor, and applause.

The Acts Controversy:

- Acts 2:38 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins...
- a. “For” can be translated “in order to get” as well as “as the result of”.
 - Study your notes for a decent grade on your test (correct, but _____)
 - Take two aspirin for your headache (also correct, _____ awkward)
 - b. The most common use of the word “For” **then and now** is “as a result of”.
 - I got a ticket for speeding.
 - I received no thanks at all for my troubles
 - c. When read correctly, Acts 2:38 generates _____ controversy at all.

More Evidence from Acts itself:

Acts 2:41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

1. "were" indicates _____ and _____
2. Baptism was in response to, and followed acceptance.

Acts 8:12 But **when** they believed Philip as he proclaimed the good news of the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they **were** baptized, both men and women.

Acts 8:13 Simon himself believed **and was** baptized. And he followed Philip everywhere, astonished by the great signs and miracles he saw.

Acts 10:47 "Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They **have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.**"

1. The Holy Spirit is an _____ identification of salvation.
2. They obviously have _____ been baptized
3. Baptism _____ be a requirement to gain salvation.

Acts 18:8 Crispus, the synagogue leader, and his entire household believed in the Lord; and many of the Corinthians who heard Paul believed **and** were baptized.

Evidence from Jesus Himself:

Luke 23:43 Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

1. This man was nailed to a cross next to Jesus.
2. This man was in no way able to be baptized _____ his death.

Conclusion: There is no controversy. It is a closed issue. You are not save _____, or _____ you are baptized.

Application:

1. **Get saved** so that your sins are forgiven and you will be made right with a Holy God.
2. **Get baptized** to show everyone that you are serious and that your salvation is real.