

Baptism Preparation

'Romans Road': The Gospel

For _____ have _____ and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23

For the wages of sin is _____, but the _____ of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23

But God demonstrates his own _____ for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ _____ for us.

Romans 5:8

If you declare with your _____, "Jesus is Lord,"
and believe in your _____ that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9

Therefore, since we have been justified through _____,
we have _____ with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:1

Therefore, there is now no _____ for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1

For I am convinced that neither _____ nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor _____ else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

We were therefore buried with him through _____ into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a _____ life.

Romans 6:4

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(1) Why?

- Repentance ('saying sorry')

Peter replied, "**Repent and be baptized**, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ **for the forgiveness of your sins**. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38-39)

- Command of Jesus

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, and **teaching them to obey** everything I have commanded you. (Mt.28:19)

(2&3) When & Where?

As soon as possible & in water

Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus. As they traveled 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?" And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. (Acts 8:36-38)

(4) Who should baptise?

It doesn't really matter!

*What I mean is this: One of you says, "I follow Paul"; another, "I follow Apollos"; another, "I follow Cephas"; still another, "I follow Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? **Were you baptized in the name of Paul?** I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius, so no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I Corinthians 1:12-15)*

(5) Who should be baptised?

All who accept the gospel message.

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

What We'll Say At The Baptism

1 John 1:8-9 says *If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

Do you admit that you have wronged God and the people He's created?

Are you willing to say sorry and turn from your sin?

Romans 10:9 says *If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*

Do you believe that Jesus died for your sins and rose from the dead?

Are you willing to say He is your Lord and Saviour?

James 4:7 says *Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.*

Do you resist the devil?

Are you willing to submit to God in every area of your life?

*****We are all witnesses to what you have said.**

As a sign that you are now a follower of Jesus,

we baptise you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit***

Acts 2:38-39 says *"Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."*

You have been baptised in the name of Jesus.

Are you willing for us to pray for you to receive more of the Holy Spirit?