

Church Rites: Baptism Pt 1

Matthew 3:1-12

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1. Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying,
2. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."
3. For this is the one referred to by Isaiah the prophet when he said, "THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT!'"
4. Now John himself had a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey.
5. Then Jerusalem was going out to him, and all Judea and all the district around the Jordan;
6. and they were being baptized by him in the Jordan River, as they confessed their sins.
7. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"
8. "Therefore bear fruit in keeping with repentance;
9. and do not suppose that you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham for our father'; for I say to you that from these stones God is able to raise up children to Abraham.
10. "The axe is already laid at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
11. "As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
12. "His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

Mark 10:38-39

38. But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?"
39. They said to Him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you shall drink; and you shall be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized.

Matthew 3:1-12 (see above)

Acts 13:24

...after John had proclaimed before His coming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel.

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Mark 1:4

John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Mark 11:30

"Was the baptism of John from heaven, or from men? Answer Me."

Matthew 21:23-27

23. When He entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to Him while He was teaching, and said, "By what authority are You doing these things, and who gave You this authority?"
24. Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one thing, which if you tell Me, I will also tell you by what authority I do these things.
25. "The baptism of John was from what *source*, from heaven or from men?" And they *began* reasoning among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say to us, 'Then why did you not believe him?'
26. "But if we say, 'From men,' we fear the people; for they all regard John as a prophet."
27. And answering Jesus, they said, "We do not know." He also said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

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Acts 19:1-6

1. It happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the upper country and came to Ephesus, and found some disciples.
2. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they *said* to him, "No, we have not even heard whether there is a Holy Spirit."
3. And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" And they said, "Into John's baptism."
4. Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in Him who was coming after him, that is, in Jesus."
5. When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.
6. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they *began* speaking with tongues and prophesying.

Matthew 3:13-17

13. Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan *coming* to John, to be baptized by him.
14. But John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I have need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?"
15. But Jesus answering said to him, "Permit *it* at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he permitted Him.
16. After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove *and* lighting on Him,
17. and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."

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Isaiah 40:3

A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; make smooth in the desert a highway for our God.

Romans 8:3

For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God *did*: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and *as an offering* for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh,

1 Peter 2:21

For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps,

5	<p><u>Matthew 3:11-12</u></p> <p>11. "As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.</p> <p>12. "His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."</p>
6	<p><u>Matthew 28:19-20</u></p> <p>19. "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,</p> <p>20. teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."</p>
7	<p><u>Mark 1:14-15</u></p> <p>14. Now after John had been taken into custody, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God,</p> <p>15. and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."</p> <p><u>1 Corinthians 15:1-4</u></p> <p>1. Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand,</p> <p>2. by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain.</p> <p>3. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,</p> <p>4. and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,</p> <p><u>1 Peter 1:3</u></p> <p>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,</p>
8	<p><u>1 Corinthians 12:13</u></p> <p>For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.</p> <p><u>Romans 6:3-4</u></p> <p>3 Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death?</p> <p>4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.</p> <p><u>Galatians 2:20</u></p> <p>"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the <i>life</i> which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.</p> <p><u>Colossians 2:12</u></p> <p>... having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.</p>