

Baptism - through Death into Life

1. Read Genesis 2:16-17, Romans 5:12-21, Romans 6:23
What did Adam bring into all mankind when he disobeyed God? What sort of death is it? Could Adam live unto God any more? Are any excluded from this death? What reigned over the lives of all mankind? What is the gift of God to bring us out of the state of death?
From Whom does it come and on what basis is it given? (5:15)
2. Read 1 Peter 3:20-22, Genesis 6, Genesis 7:1, 21-24, Genesis 8:18
What was the state of the people of the world? Is this do you think the effect of death reigning in their lives? Can you see similar things in present day society? What was God's solution to the problem? Is death the only solution for sin and death? What was the thing that Noah found which caused him to be saved? Is this the same as Romans 5:15&20?
What was the means of salvation for Noah and his family? What happened to all flesh?
What is this a figure of? (1Peter) What had Noah passed through in type?
What did Noah go forth unto?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 10:2, Exodus 14:10-31
What is the going through the Red Sea an illustration of? What were the children of Israel saved from? What is Egypt a picture of do you think? What happened to all the Egyptians? Who provided the means of salvation? If the water was the means of the judgement on the Egyptians did it touch the children of Israel? Who is the way for us? (John 14:6)
4. Read Joshua (Hebrew for Jesus) 3:5-17, 4:1-24
What has to go into the waters for them to part? Who do you think the ark represents?
When can the ark come out of the waters? Did the water touch the people?
What was the state of the river when the children of Israel crossed over?
What had they gone through? Where did they arrive at? What do you think the exchange of the twelve stones represents? They are still there to this day.
Could you say they were buried there? Who was to be magnified in the sight of the people?
Should the salvation which God has given us through the Lord Jesus cause us to magnify HIM?
5. Read Hebrews 2:9-18
What did Jesus taste for every man?
In the passages above had anyone tasted real death for anyone else?
Had death and therefore sin been dealt with so far?
How did Jesus destroy him that has the power of death?
6. Read Romans 6:1-14
What are we baptised into if we are baptised into Jesus Christ?
Does this mean that if we are in Jesus Christ we have gone through death? (John 5:24)
What is destroyed through this death? (vs. 6)
Does this mean that we are no longer subject to the death that is passed on to all men?
What are we raised up into? Who are we to live unto?
Is this not of our own works but of the grace of God ? (vs. 14)
Is this the burial of our old selves, like the stones being left in Jordan for ever?
What do we now walk in?
7. Read Colossians 1:20-22, 2 Corinthians 5:14-21
In and through what were we reconciled to God?
What should our judgement be if Jesus died for all of us? Who should we now live unto?
Is this the newness of life we should walk in? What are we if we are really in Christ?
What did God make Jesus for us? (vs.21)
Do you think this is when He went through the death that is a result of sin?
What are we made in Him? Righteousness means right with God.
Is this the basis of our new lives free from sin and death? (Romans 8:2)