

Scripture to support Believers Baptism by immersion in water after faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Matthew 3:13-15
Mark 16:16
Luke 3:21
John 1:12-13, 3:1-26
" 4:1

Acts 1:1-9, 2:36-39
" 8:14-17 and 26-40
" 9:1-10, 10:44-48
" 22:16
Romans 6:3-4

1 Corinthians 1:13-17
Ephesians 4:3-6
Colossians 2:11-12
Hebrews 6:1-2, 10:22
1 Peter 3:21

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"circumcision" and "baptism."

The Gospel Pattern:

- 1) Notice that faith or believing in Jesus Christ occurred first with repentance and water baptism unto salvation in Jesus Christ.
- 2) Water baptism by immersion after faith with immediate obedience—same day. Your day of Salvation to Eternal Life.
- 3) Discipleship begins right away; studying the Bible and obeying God's commands—over 130 commandments in the New Testament.
- 4) Can your baby do this?
- 5) Infant, or baby baptism, is a false teaching and a false practice. Baby baptism was made official in the year 312 AD by the Roman Catholic religion and was embraced by Martin Luther and John Calvin, to their shame, in the 1500's-1600's AD.
- 6) John the Baptist was first New Testament prophet to preach and baptize new converts about 20-30AD by immersion in water in the Jordan River by the Dead Sea.

Water Baptism never replaced the Old Testament teaching of circumcision that the Christian Reformed Church teaches and practices. In the New Testament, the Holy Spirit circumcises our hearts so that each person becomes Born Again spiritually, then becomes water baptized by immersion, then becomes discipled. A baby does not know it is born physically with the sin nature and condition that is being passed on since Adam and Eve. A baby does not know it needs a Savior and Lord to be delivered from the bondage of the sin condition.

Water baptism is by full immersion: not by sprinkling of a few drops of water on the forehead, not by half a cup of water on the head, but by full immersion as the Holy Bible makes so clear. The Bible teaches faith comes by hearing, etc. by the Word of God. Are you Born Again? Then get water baptized by immersion with repentance from dead works and be discipled.

Babies are exempt from all this until they grow up to an age of understanding right and wrong. Then they make their own choice. Get a complete concordance of the Holy Bible or go to blueletterbible.org. Study the word circumcision in the Holy Bible. Study the word baptism in the Holy Bible. Study all the noun, verb, and adjective uses of each word. Study each word in context of Scripture before and after the verse with the word.

God's truth will set you free from practicing false baby baptism to practicing true believer's baptism by immersion.