


Looking back at

BAPTISM

When we were baptized:

- **We were united with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection - (Rom. 6:3-7)**
- **We were baptized into one body - (1 Cor. 12:12-13)**
- **We put in Christ and we put on Christ - (Gal. 3:26-27)**
- **We put our faith in the working of God - (Col. 1:11-13)**
- **We appealed to God for a good conscience - (1 Pet. 3:21)**
- **We were saved - (1 Pet. 3:21)**



BAPTIZED

but not...

Acts 19:1-5

BAPTIZED but not...

BAPTIZED

- Correct action, but without correct
 - Purpose
 - Motive
 - Understanding
 - Result

“When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.” (Acts 19:5)

BAPTIZED but not...

BURIED

“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.” (Rom. 6:4)

“having been buried with Him in baptism...” (Col. 2:12)

“and they both went down into the water, Philip as well as the eunuch, and he baptized him. When they came up out of the water...” (Acts 8:38-39)

BAPTIZED but not...

BURIED

- Baptizó - "submerge"; to immerse (literally, "dip under")
 - Baptizó *translated* is "immerse"
 - Baptizó *transliterated* is "baptize"
- Keeps the person the object of the action
 - You "sprinkle" water
 - You "pour" water
 - You "baptize" people
- To be baptized is to be immersed or "buried"



BURIED is not baptized like we read about in the New Testament.

Baptized but not buried
is “baptized” but not...

BAPTIZED but not...

INTO CHRIST

“Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death?” (Rom. 6:3)

“For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.” (Gal. 3:27)

- Baptism is how one gets “into Christ”
- “in when baptized” is not the same as “in, then baptized”
- Order proves motive and understanding of baptism



INTO CHRIST is not baptized like we read about in the New Testament.

Baptized but not into Christ
is “baptized” but not...

BAPTIZED but not...

FOR FORGIVENESS OF SIN

“Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins...” (Acts 2:38)

“Now why do you delay? Get up and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name.” (Acts 22:16)

- Baptism for another purpose is not N.T. baptism
 - “because” your sins have been forgiven
 - “first act of obedience”
 - “outward sign of an inward grace”
 - to “join” a local church



BAPTIZED but not...

FOR FORGIVENESS OF SIN is not baptized like we read about in the New Testament.

Baptized but not for forgiveness of sin
is “baptized” but not...

BAPTIZED but not...

WITH URGENCY

“And they spoke the word of the Lord to him... and he took them that very hour of the night and washed their wounds, and immediately he was baptized...” (Acts 16:32-33)

“Now why do you delay? Get up and be baptized” (Acts 22:16)

“... those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.” (Acts 2:41)

- There is urgency and immediacy in N.T. baptism
 - A lack of urgency proves a lack of understanding of baptism



WITH URGENCY is not baptized like we read about in the New Testament.

Baptized but not with urgency
is “baptized” but not...

BAPTIZED but not...

BELIEVING GOD WAS WORKING

“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.” (Col. 2:12)

- **We must believe that God is working in our baptism!**

“When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions” (Col. 2:13)

- N.T. baptism requires faith in what God does in baptism



BAPTIZED but not...

BELIEVING GOD WAS WORKING is not
baptized like we read about in the New
Testament.

Baptized but not believing God was working
is “baptized” but not...

BAPTIZED but not...

FOR A CLEAR CONSCIENCE

“baptism now saves you--not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal to God for a good conscience”

(1 Pet. 3:21)

- N.T. baptism is an appeal to God for something we don't already have...
- One who believes they are saved before baptism already has a good conscience
 - Their baptism is not an appeal to God



FOR A CLEAR CONSCIENCE is not baptized like we read about in the New Testament.

Baptized but not for a clear conscience
is “baptized” but not...

BAPTIZED but not...

TO BE SAVED

“baptism now saves you--not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal to God for a good conscience”

(1 Pet. 3:21)

- N.T. Christians were immersed into Christ with urgency, believing that God was working in baptism, to forgive their sins, clear their conscience and save them
- N.T. baptism is specific in mode, purpose and order
- That's the baptism that saves



TO BE SAVED is not baptized like we read about in the New Testament.

Baptized but not to be saved
is “baptized” but not...

BAPTIZED but not...

- **Truth has implications**
 - Implications have consequences
 - Consequences impact people
 - People, consequences and implications do not impact truth
- **The truth is baptism is specific in mode, purpose and order**
- **We have to love people enough to tell them the truth**
- **To be saved, people have to love truth...**

“When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.” (Acts 19:5)

