

**BIBLE**

BAPTISM

**American Heritage  
Dictionary**

**bap·tism**

(băp'tiz'əm) *n.*

***NOT A Scriptural  
Definition***

1. A religious rite considered a sacrament by most Christian groups, marked by the symbolic application of water to the head or immersion of the body into water and resulting in admission of the recipient into the community of Christians.
2. A ceremony in certain religious or nonreligious traditions in which one is initiated, purified, or given a name.



**We must use Bible words  
in Bible Ways**



**1 Peter 4:11 "If any man  
speak, let him speak as the  
oracles of God" (KJV)**



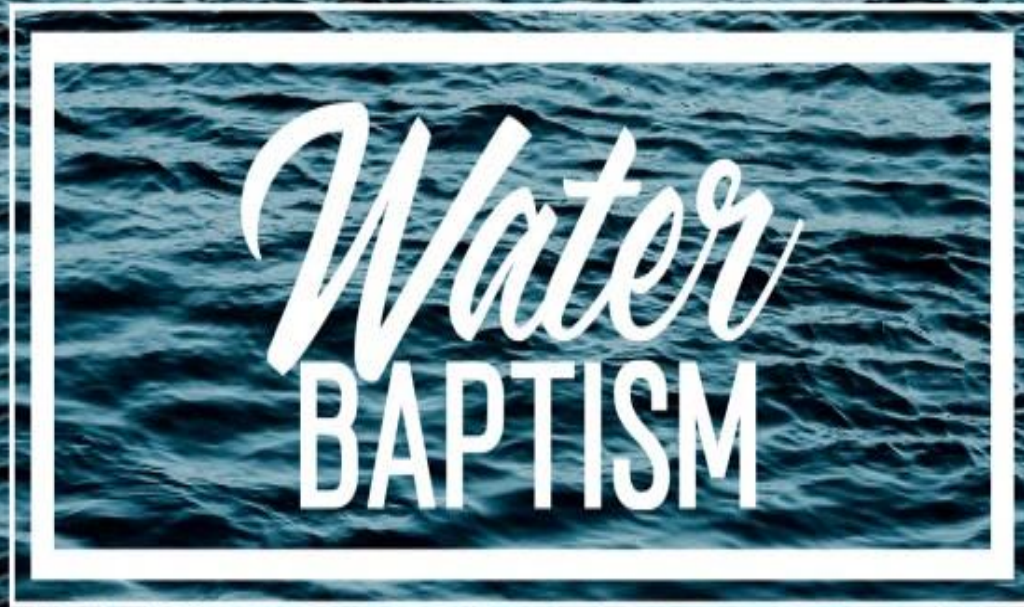
## W. E. Vine's Expository Dictionary

### Baptism, Baptize:

"baptism," consisting of the processes of immersion, submersion and emergence (from *bapto*, "to dip")... "to baptize," primarily a frequentative form of *bapto*, "to dip," was used among the Greeks to signify the dyeing of a garment, or the drawing of water by dipping a vessel into another.



**It is a transliterated word,  
not a translated word**



**If it were a translated word,  
it would read as “dip,  
submerge, immerse”**



## **Is Baptism Part of the Gospel of Christ?**

**Most Denominational Preachers say NO**

Lanny Thomas Tanton

Editorial Board

Journal of the Grace Evangelical Society

Dallas, Texas

“Is the demand for baptism (i.e. immersion in water) a part of the Gospel? To proclaim such is to promote **a false gospel.**”

**Jesus says *it is* part of the gospel ~Mark 16:15-16**



## **Is Baptism Part of the Gospel of Christ?**

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**Billy Graham**

Billy Graham Evangelistic Association

Charlotte, North Carolina

June 1, 2004 Article

“Is baptism necessary for salvation? If baptism were a requirement for salvation we would certainly say that.”

**Jesus says *it is* a requirement ~Mark 16:15-16**

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Michael Bradley

The Rite of Water Baptism

December 29, 2018

“I do not believe that water baptism is an actual ‘essential’ for a true salvation experience to occur with the Lord. It is not an actual requirement for salvation.”

**Jesus says *it is* a requirement ~Mark 16:15-16**



# **Is Water Baptism essential to our salvation?**

**Mark 16:16**

**John 3:5**

**Acts 2:38**

**Galatians 3:27**

**Acts 22:16**

**1 Peter 3:21**

**An Emphatic**

**YES**

**One of the most common  
fallacies...**

**Introducing Exclusivity Clauses  
into Scripture**

**“ONLY”**

**The Bible says not to add  
to the word**

**Deut. 4:2; Prov. 30:5-6**

**Yet some, if not knowingly,  
by their practice they do**



**Martin Luther inserted  
the word “alone” into  
his translation of  
Romans 3:28**

**“So now we hold, that a  
man is justified...  
through faith”**



**Yet this runs into direct  
contradiction with  
James 2:24**

**“By works a man is  
justified and not by  
faith only”**







We are saved by faith  
alone, but the faith that  
saves is never alone.

Martin Luther

**Luther was wrong  
about the first part of  
that statement**



An underwater photograph showing sunlight filtering through the water's surface, creating a shimmering effect. The water is a deep blue color, and the light rays are visible as bright, ethereal beams.

**Baptism is always  
looking forward to a  
result**

**Never backward to  
alleged previous  
remission of sins**

**God is a God of Order**

**1 Corinthians 14:40**

**“Do all things decently  
and in order”**

**“Order my steps in Your  
word”**

**(Psalm 119:133 KJV)**



**God is a God of Order**

**God is known for giving**

***SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS***

**Building an Ark (Gen. 6)**

**Building the Tabernacle (Ex. 40)**

**Taking Jericho (Josh. 6)**

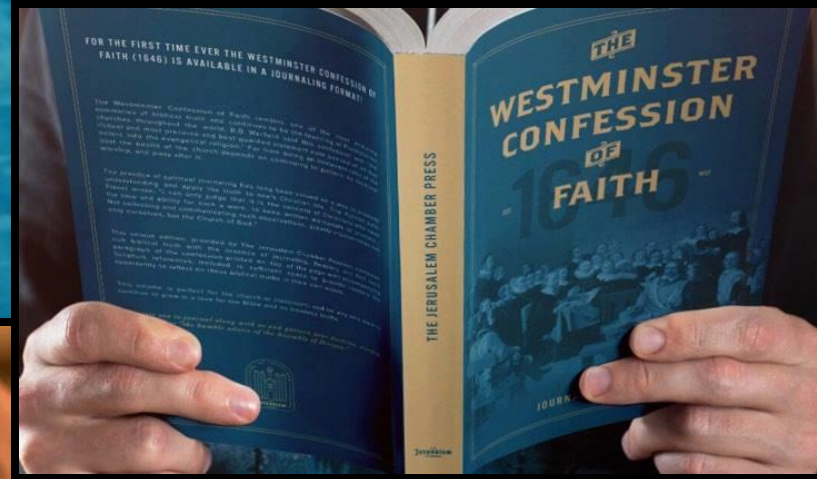
**Cleansing Naaman (2 Kgs. 5)**

An underwater scene with sunlight rays filtering through the water, creating a serene and deep blue atmosphere. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

**When is “Baptism” NOT  
Baptism?**



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**When the plan that is  
followed does not align or  
harmonize with the plan  
of Scripture**

**...the result is an **invalid**  
baptism**



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# **What Makes a Scriptural Baptism?**

**Right Action**

**Immersion in Water**

**Right Person**

**Capable of believing,  
repenting, confessing**

**Right Purpose**

**For the remission of sins,  
& to get into right church**

**Right Timing**

**No waiting, no long class  
sessions**

**Right  
Understanding  
of commitment  
& the kingdom**

**Not being baptized merely to  
make others happy or to join  
a \*local\* church**



# **Limitations of Baptism**

**Cannot permanently alter our  
attitude and heart**

**Acts 8:20-24**

**Cannot change a bond**

**1 Cor. 7:20-24; Phm. 1:12; Mt. 14:4; Mt. 19:9**

**Cannot remove future  
temptations**

**Jas. 1:12-14; 1 Cor. 10:13; 1 Cor. 9:27**

# Cases of Conversion

Case	Believe	Repent	Confess	Baptism
Jews	Acts 2:36	Acts 2:38		Acts 2:38
Samaritans	Acts 8:12			Acts 8:12ff
Eunuch	Acts 8:36-37		Acts 8:37	Acts 8:38
Saul				Acts 22:16
Cornelius	Acts 10:43	Acts 11:15		Acts 10:48
Lydia				Acts 16:15
Jailor	Acts 16:31	Acts 16:33		Acts 16:33
Corinthians	Acts 18:8			Acts 18:8





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**“All Spiritual  
Blessings  
in Christ”  
- Eph. 1:3**

Salvation  
Prayer  
Peace

**IN CHRIST**

Adoption  
Knowledge  
Com

**“For as many  
of you as were  
baptized into  
Christ have put on  
Christ” - Gal. 3:27**

**BAPTIZED**

*Now why do you delay?  
Get up and be baptized,  
and wash away your sins,  
calling on His name.'*

*Acts 22:16*