



## CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: MINISTRY TO ME

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

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TEXT: ROMANS 6:1-4

TOPIC: IDENTIFYING WITH THE DEATH, BURIAL AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS

### INTRODUCTION

- A. Baptism?!?!? \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Baptism = *baptize*. Baptism has two basic meanings: \_\_\_\_\_
1. To Identify with / To Immerse into (to dye or stain)
  2. To Wash / To Cleanse / To Purify

### BAPTISM AS IDENTIFICATION

- A. Baptism into Moses \_\_\_\_\_
1. **John 9:28, 29**, <sup>28</sup> Then they reviled him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. <sup>29</sup> We know that God spoke to Moses; as for this fellow, we do not know where He is from."
  2. **1 Corinthians 10:1, 2**, <sup>1</sup> Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup> all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,
  3. The people identified with Moses - Freedom from bondage in Egypt (cloud and sea)
- B. Baptism into repentance John \_\_\_\_\_
1. **Acts 13:24**, <sup>24</sup> after John had first preached, before His coming, the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel.
  2. **Acts 19:4**, <sup>4</sup> Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus."
  3. John's baptism pointed forward to Jesus and was no longer necessary when Jesus came
- C. Baptism into Jesus \_\_\_\_\_
1. **Romans 6:1-4**, <sup>1</sup> What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? <sup>3</sup> Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup> Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
  2. Baptism represents Jesus' Death, Burial and Resurrection
    - a. **Death** – <sup>3</sup> Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized **into His death**?
      - i. **Romans 7:4, 6**, <sup>4</sup> Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another—to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. <sup>6</sup> But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.
      - ii. **Colossians 3:3**, <sup>3</sup> For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
      - iii. **Physical Baptism: Immersion – Going into the water – We Identify with Jesus' Death**
      - iv. What does it mean for me to identify with Jesus; death?

- b. **Burial** – <sup>4</sup> *Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death*
    - i. **Colossians 2:12**, <sup>12</sup> *buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.*
    - ii. **Physical Baptism: Submersion – Completely under the water – We identify with Jesus’ Burial**
    - iii. What does it mean for me to identify with Jesus’ burial?
  - c. **Resurrection** – *that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life*
    - i. **Colossians 3:1**, *If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.*
    - ii. **Ephesians 4:22-24**, <sup>22</sup> *that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, <sup>23</sup> and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, <sup>24</sup> and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.*
    - iii. **Physical Baptism: Emersion - Coming out of the water – We identify with Jesus’ Resurrection**
    - iv. What does it mean for me to identify with Jesus’ resurrection?
3. We identify with Jesus – Freedom from bondage to sin