

BELIEVER'S BAPTISM

MATTHEW 28:16-20

ROMANS 6:1-4

INTRODUCTION

- The believer's baptism is an ordinance that is mandated by Jesus Christ to the church.
- It means that, we are one with Christ and His church. He is our Lord and we need to live a holy and obedient life for Him.

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- The prerequisite for baptism is to believe in Jesus Christ.
- The mode of the baptism is by immersion in water.

MANDATE OF THE BAPTISM

- Gospel of Matthew chapter 28:16-20 gives us the mandate for baptism.
- Acts 19:3-5 Paul baptized people in the name of Jesus Christ.
- Early church practiced this ordinance to initiate people into the church.

MEANING OF BAPTISM

- It means to identify with Christ. Ro 6:3-4.
- It means to identify with the body of Christ. 1 Cor. 12:13.
- It is to declare that Jesus is my king and I will live a holy and obedient life for him. Ro 6:5-23

MODE OF BAPTISM

- Baptism derives from the Greek “Baptizo” and refers to the action of washing or plunging in water which from the early days of the church (Ac. 2:41) has been used as the rite of Christian initiation into the Church. Believer’s baptism has been performed from earliest times following or upon repentance and confession of personal faith in Christ.

CONCLUSION

- Personal testimony.
- Baptism is an important Church ordinance given to us by Christ as a part of the great commission.
- I believe every believer should take baptism as an act of obedience to the Lord Jesus Christ and make a public profession to live for Him.