

Did You Know...

Water is the common name applied to the liquid form (state) of the hydrogen and oxygen compound H₂O. Pure water is an odorless, tasteless, clear liquid. It's one of nature's most important gifts to mankind. Essential to life, a person's survival depends on drinking water. Water is one of the most essential elements to good health -- it is necessary for the digestion and absorption of food; supplies oxygen and nutrients to the cells; rids the body of wastes and...

- † No know life forms can survive without water
- † Approximately 70% of the Earth's surface is water
- † Water is the only substance on Earth which occurs naturally in all three forms of matter (solid, liquid, gas)
- † Depending on age and body size, the human body is usually 58% - 78% water.
- † In many religions, water symbolizes purity.

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Find at least two additional facts about water:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____

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Sol·dier (sōl'jər)-noun:

a skilled and experienced worker who is dedicated to a cause

Trained (trān)-verb:

taught; disciplined; given specialized instructions to improve

Re·spon·sive (rī-spōn'siv)-adjective:

reacting quickly, strongly or favorably

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"You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" 1 Peter 2:9



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Sharing God's Word

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden." Matthew 5:14

"I'm Going Down...in Jesus Name"

Baptism means to be fully immersed in water as an outward expression of your belief in Jesus Christ. *Baptism is not an option. It is a divine opportunity!*

Many people struggle with the idea of baptism. Some want to argue that it is not necessary to be saved. Others argue over the method. Here is a good principle to live by: If Jesus did it, then He wants us to follow His lead! Baptism by itself cannot save us. Romans 10:9 say *"that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."* The only way we come to God is by faith in His Son, Jesus Christ! Jesus said *"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me"* (John 14:6). Let us notice, on many occasions, Jesus told those who came to Him that it was their faith that prompted God to action! Remember, it is only by belief in Christ that we can experience salvation.

After salvation, our first priority should be to identify with Jesus Christ. Baptism is an outward sign of our commitment to God. It is a public statement of our faith and love toward God. Some may say, *"Well, I don't need to make a public confession. My life is between me and God."* We must remember how God publicly displayed His love toward us at Calvary. Nothing could keep Christ from demonstrating His love for us on the Cross, and nothing should keep us from displaying our love for Him through baptism! When the Ethiopian heard the Gospel message, he was saved. His next desire was to be baptized. He asked, *"What prevents me ...?"* Philip replied, *"If you believe with all your heart, you may."* Read Acts 8:26-40



Word of the Week...

im-merse (ĩ-mûrs')

To cover completely in a liquid; submerge. To baptize by submerging in water.

Caring for God's People

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

"My Baptismal Experience"

By Camille Robinson, age 13

When I thought about being baptized, I had one question for my parents – what does this really mean? I was scared. My dad told me that being baptized identifies me as a believer in Jesus Christ and His resurrection. After he told me this, I felt better. I felt I could do this.

Although I don't like the spotlight, I thought I needed to do this for God. My dad baptized me and I'm known as a believer. I encourage other young people to speak to their parents about baptism. I feel good that I did this and my brother (Trey) has also been baptized too.



"My Baptismal Experience"

By Diondra Lee, age 14



To be baptized is an identification with Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection. When getting baptized, I heard people say, "You will feel new, clean and/or refreshed. To be honest, when I got baptized, I did not feel those things. I felt cold and wet. I felt the same way I did before I got baptized. On the other hand, I knew in my heart what I was doing was right because Jesus wants us to be baptized. And me getting baptized is obeying his word. Therefore, I took that opportunity to start living in obedience to Christ.