

Why Do We Baptize?
Acts 8:26-40, NKJV

1. The message of Jesus was clearly shared
 - A. Jesus died to take the punishment for our sin
 - B. Jesus rose from the dead
 - C. Jesus ALONE provides salvation

2. The message of Jesus was inwardly received
 - A. The Challenge: If you believe v. 37
 - B. The confession: I BELIEVE v. 37

3. The message of Jesus was outwardly expressed
 - A. Baptism is not part of salvation
 - B. Baptism follows belief
Acts 2:41; 8:12; Acts 16:14-15; 16:31-33; 18:8
 - C. Baptism is by immersion
Why immersion?
 - “baptizo” means to immerse
 - Immersion pictures the death and resurrection of Jesus
 - Immersion pictures our death to sin and new life in Christ
 - D. Baptism is a step of obedience Matthew 28:18-20