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Water Baptism, Acts 8:26-40

💧 Acts records the history of the early Church and spread of the gospel.

Author = Luke

Recipient = Theophilus

Reason = Eyewitness account/record

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"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

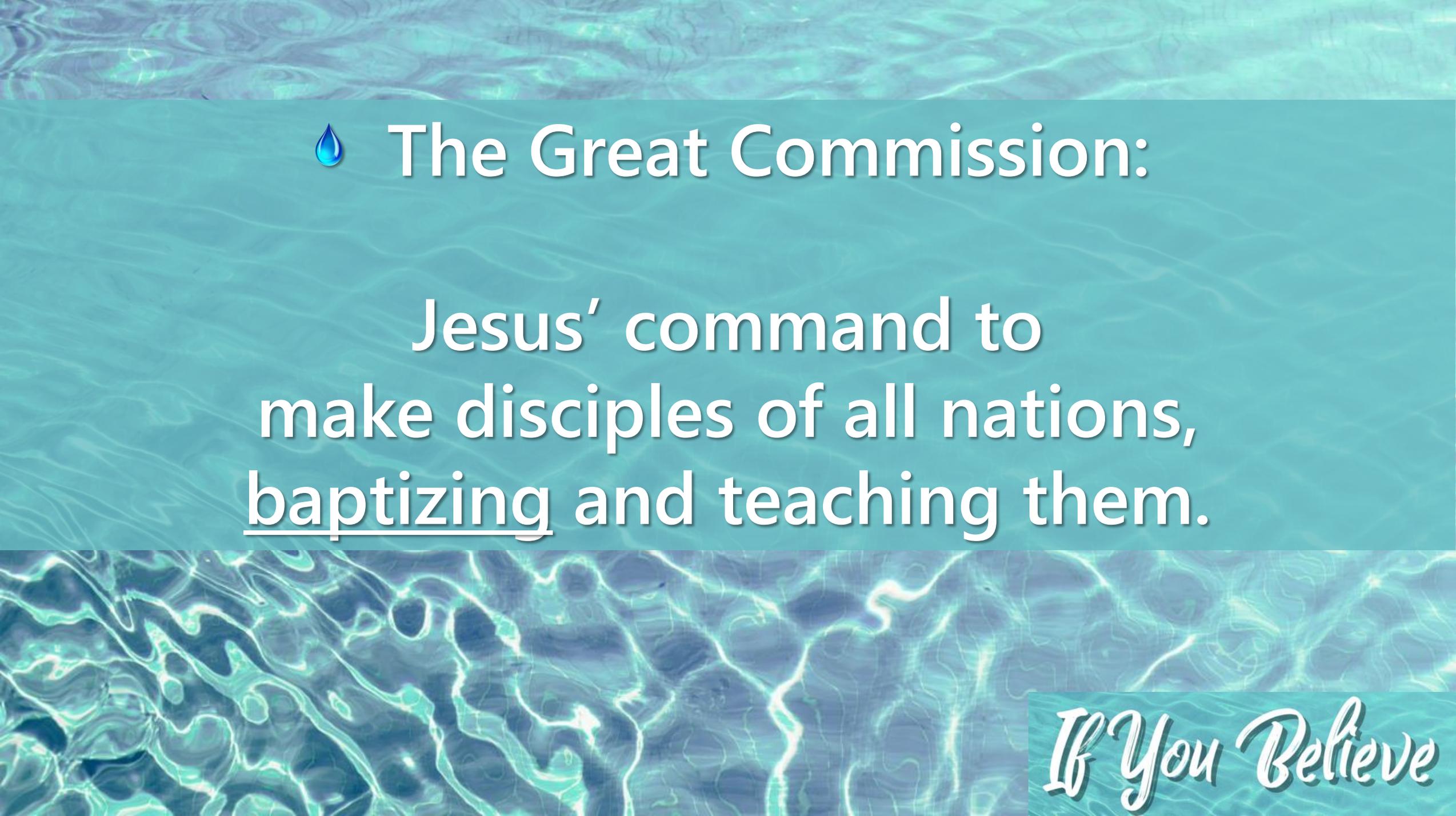
Matthew 28:19-20

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“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.”

Acts 1:8

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💧 The Great Commission:

Jesus' command to
make disciples of all nations,
baptizing and teaching them.

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💧 Contextual Principle:

God's plan often unfolds
in unexpected ways.

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Baptism Truth #1

Baptism is associated with the Great Commission to make disciples.



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*"Planting and strengthening churches to
make disciples to reach the world."*

The Berean Fellowship of Churches

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Baptism Truth #2

Baptism is associated with repentance and forgiveness of sins.

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“So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.”

Acts 2:41

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Baptism Truth #3

Baptism is to be
pre-conditioned by faith in Christ.

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"The Ethiopian said to Philip, "Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?"

And Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may."

And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

Acts 2:41

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Baptism Truth #4

Baptism is associated with identifying with Christ.

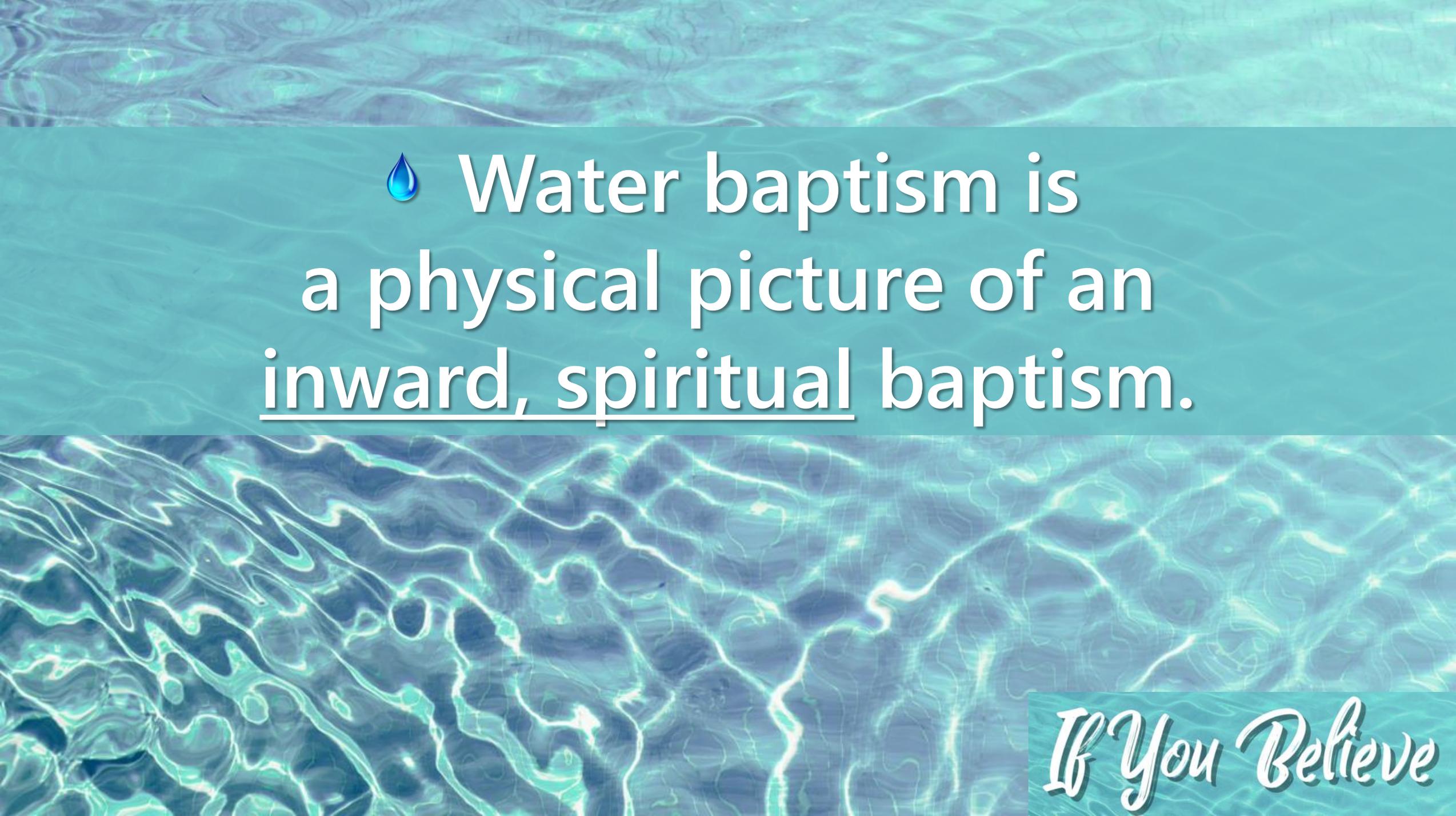
- 💧 Getting baptized was seen as a public declaration to everyone that you associate with someone, some group, some message, or some event.

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“When we get baptized, we are associating ourselves with:

someone who is Christ,
some group which is the universal Church,
some message which is the Gospel, and
some event which is Christ’s death, burial and resurrection and our union with Him in that.

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💧 Water baptism is
a physical picture of an
inward, spiritual baptism.

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Baptism Truth #5

Baptism is associated with Spirit baptism.



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“But when the kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.”

Titus 3:4-6



“In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation – having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance [like a down payment on eternity], with a view to the redemption of God’s own possession, to the praise of His glory.”

Ephesians 1:13-14



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💧 Spirit baptism washes us
indwells us with God's Spirit,
and seals us.

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"May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it? Or do you not know that all of us who have been **baptized** into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in the newness of life...." *[continued]*

Romans 6:1-4

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"...For if we have become **united** with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin."

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united (symphytos) = grow/plant together (v.5)

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💧 Spirit baptism
signifies death to sin and new life in Christ.

Romans 6

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💧 Spirit baptism
joins us to the universal body of Christ.

*“For by one Spirit we were
all baptized into one body.”*

1 Corinthians 12:13

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"Let not the foreigner who has joined himself to the Lord say, 'The Lord will surely separate me from His people.' Nor let the eunuch say, 'Behold, I am a dry tree.'" For thus says the Lord, 'To the eunuchs who keep My sabbaths, and choose what pleases Me, and hold fast My covenant, to them I will give in My house and within My walls a memorial, and a name better than that of sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name which will not be cut off."

Isaiah 56:3-5

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💧 Water baptism
is associated with rejoicing!

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