

BAPTISM *sunday*

Discussion Guide

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1. Why do you think God initially commanded ritual washing in the Old Testament?
2. Why do you think the Jewish leaders created "hedges" around God's commands, and why did Jesus say they were wrong?
3. What is the difference between John's baptism and Jesus' baptism? What does it mean that Jesus baptizes us with the Holy Spirit and fire?
4. Why is water baptism still necessary if Spirit baptism is the true spiritual transformation? If baptism does not contribute to salvation, why is it still commanded by Jesus?
5. Why do we baptize believers and not infants?
6. If you've been baptized in water, what did that experience mean to you personally?