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Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brock Lindley (08/26/26)

OUR RECORD

August 16, 2026

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7;Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins(Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



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WHAT IS BIBLE BAPTISM?

Mark Lindley

The question of this article pertains to the proper “mode” of baptism. If one desires to be baptized scripturally, must one be immersed in water or do sprinkling and pouring also qualify as Bible baptism? Just what is Bible baptism?

One way to answer the question is to consider the meaning of the word “baptize.” However, since the New Testament was originally written in Greek, one cannot consult Webster’s dictionary and expect to find the Biblical meaning of the term. Rather, one should look to standard Greek authorities to find the original meaning.

According to the classic Greek lexicons, the word “baptize” fundamentally means to “dip, plunge, submerge, overwhelm, or immerse”. These words clearly indicate the Bible baptism involves a burial in water.

Nevertheless, the best way to answer the question, “What is Bible baptism?” is to appeal directly to the Bible itself. Consider the following: “Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are **buried** with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was **raised** up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:3-4). Notice from this reading that Bible baptism involves a burial and a resurrection. When one has water sprinkled or poured on his head, there is obviously no burial and no resurrection. Further, consider Colossians 2:12, “**Buried** with him in baptism, wherein also ye are **risen** with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.” Again, one can see from this verse that in Bible baptism one is buried and raised. Consequently, sprinkling and pouring do not qualify as Scriptural baptism.

One can also determine that Bible baptism is an immersion in water by the implications of certain texts. For example, when the eunuch of Acts chapter 8 was baptized, he and Philip “went down...into the water” (verse 38). While in the water Philip baptized the eunuch. Then, after the baptism, Philip and the eunuch came “up out of the water” (verse 39). If Bible baptism is simply sprinkling or pouring water on someone’s head, then why did these two men go down into the water? One does not have to go “down into the water” to receive sprinkling or pouring, but one does have to go “down into the water” to be immersed.

Considering all the evidence, one can see that Bible baptism requires an immersion in water. “And now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord” (Acts 22:16).

BIBLE PREACHERS: PAUL—NO. 2
James Pilgrim

Paul preached in many places, and he wrote about one-half of the books of the New Covenant (Romans thru Philemon, and possibly Hebrews). Sandwiched between the first and second missionary journeys were the confrontations about circumcision, and the law of Moses. Some were teaching that circumcision and keeping the law were both required. (Acts 15:1, 5). Paul and Barnabas, Bible Preachers, “had no small dissention and disputation with them” about this (Verse 2), with “much disputing.” Peter then arose and reminded all of the events of Acts 10:1 thru 11:18, conversion and acceptance of Gentiles, saying, “But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.” (Verse 11). James then called for a calmness and Biblical acceptance (Acts 15:13-21), after which the apostles sent “chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren.” (Acts 22). The conclusions reached were sent to be read by Judas and Silas. The result was unity, peace and joy, opening hearts to the reception of the truth. (Verses 30-35). Thus, heated and much discussion, but no division!

The second missionary begins, but with controversy between the two major leaders, causing them to go separate ways (Acts 15:35-40), BUT NOT FOREVER EXCLUDED!!!!!! Paul is later complimentary of both Barnabas (1 Corinthians 9:6; Galatians 2:1, 9, and Colossians 4:10) and John Mark. (2 Timothy 4:10). These books were written after A. D. 50, when it seems the second missionary journey started. Can you not hear these brethren praying for one another???

The remainder of this lesson will but look at the highlights of Paul’s work as a Bible Preacher. He recruited profitable workers (Acts 16:1-3), delivered decrees to keep (Verse 4; Matthew 16:19), established churches in the faith (Verse 5), converted others (Verses 13-15), beaten and imprisoned for healing a girl possessed with a spirit of divination which brought much gain by soothsaying (Verses 16-40),

prayed and sang loudly enough for the prisoners to hear them (Verse 25), did not escape when he could have (Verses 26-29), told the jailor what to do to be saved, that is, believe, repent and be baptized (Verses 30-33; Mark 16:16). Cf. Romans 10:9, 10.

As a gospel preacher, Paul “reasoned with” others “out of the scriptures, Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you is Christ.” (Acts 17:2-3). His message drew mixed reactions (Verse 4), causing mixed reactions. (Verses 5-9).

Paul and Silas were sent to Berea, where they found “more noble” people, who “received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether these things were so.” (Acts 17:11). The result of (1) searching (2) the Scriptures (3) daily (4) whether these things were so, was belief. (Acts 17:12). Paul, the Bible preacher, leaving Silas and Timothy, had to go to Athens to escape the stirring of the Jews. Gospel preachers are rarely welcomed with open arms. Paul sent for Silas and Timotheus. (Verse 15). Seeing the widespread idolatry, Paul was provoked in his spirit to dispute with the Jews and devout persons in the synagogue, and in the market place daily with those who met with him. (Verse 17). Paul likely preached to Jews and Gentiles. Cf. Mark 16:15, 16; Matthew 28:18-20. He encountered the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers. James Hastings in his book, A Bible Atlas, says the Epicureans held pleasure to be everything; he says the Stoics denied the immortality of the soul, but called for virtue. (Pages 234, 235, 877). Paul was called a “babbler” because he preached Jesus. (Verse 18). Upon Mar’s Hill, Paul was given freedom to speak of this new doctrine. (Verses 19-21). Our next study is to be on a speech delivered on Mar’s Hill, where this writer has stood.

UPCOMING EVENTS
CHAPMAN KID’S LUNCH

August 23rd
After morning service

BIBLE BOWL
Wednesday, September 2nd
Adult Challenge – 1 Kings 1-11

FIFTH SUNDAY
Sunday, August 30, 2026
10 AM Bible Study
10:45 AM Worship
12 Noon – Fellowship Meal
1:30 PM Young Men Service

FALL LECTURESHIP
September 20-23
Sunday: 10 AM Bible Study
10:45 AM Worship
12 Noon Fellowship Meal
1:30 PM Evening Service
Mon – Wed 7:00 PM

AREA UPCOMING EVENTS
NEW ALBANY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Area-Wide Young Adult Event
Sunday, August 22 from 5 – 8 PM

MAYFIELD CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ladies Day
Saturday, August 22 at 9:00 AM
Speaker: Lori Boyd
Registration starts at 8:30 AM

MARLOW CHURCH OF CHRIST
Gospel Meeting
August 23rd – 26th
Speaker: Dr. Patrick Chapman

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*Remember count your blessings,
pray for our lost ones, the sick, the
world and the broken-hearted.*

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