**Take the Plunge!**

Acts 2:36 - 41

Scripture tells us that it is by grace (God’s unmerited favor) that we are saved through faith. Faith in the completed work of Christ. Upon salvation, Scripture also tells us that we are to be baptized. Baptism is an expression…

**I. An Expression of Symbolism:**

1. **Symbolic of Death -** (Rom. 6:3-7)

* **Death to Self**! (buried)
* **Death to Sin!** (washing)
* **Death to Slavery!** (freedom)

1. **Symbolic of Life –** (Rom. 6:8-11)

* **Life of His Spirit!**
* **Life of Christ!**
* **Life of Service!**

**II. An Expression of Obedience:**

1. **Even Christ (**Matt. 3:15**)**

1. **Taking the Next Step** (Acts 8:26)
2. **Outward Declaration of Inward Change**

**III. An Expression of Gratitude:**

1. **Thank You for Your Sacrifice** **-**
2. **Thank You for Accepting Me -**
3. **Thank You for Your Life in Me -**

When Christ does a saving work in our lives, we exper- ience an inward transformation. We were dead and now we’re alive! Baptism is a powerful declaration of God’s redeeming work. Take the Plunge!