

Three Baptisms

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I. The Baptism of Jesus (Matt. 3:13-17)

Jesus' baptism was an act of His righteousness.

II. The Baptism of the Spirit (Rom. 6:3-4)

All who have put their faith in Christ have been baptized into Christ by the Holy Spirit and are free to live a new life of righteousness.

III. The Baptism of Water (Acts 2:37-38)

The way to respond to conviction of sin and the need for forgiveness is to believe in Christ and be baptized.

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Matthew 3:13-17. John thought that it would not be appropriate for him to baptize Jesus. What did Jesus mean by saying, "in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness."?

What purpose would the appearance of the Holy Spirit and the voice of God serve?

What message and application can you take from this concerning your baptism?

2. Read Romans 6:1-4. What issue is Paul addressing in verses 1-2?

What baptism is Paul talking about, water or the Holy Spirit? How do you know? What does it accomplish?

What benefit does it provide?

Have you been baptized in this way? What results are you experiencing?

3. Read Acts 2:37-38. What happened and what was the response in verse 37?

Peter told them to, "be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins." Is this water or Holy Spirit baptism, and how do you know?

How should baptism be addressed in the life of a Christian, and in their disciple-making?