

SOLA SCRIPTURA: BAPTISM

Matthew 3:5-13

Then Jerusalem was going out to [John], and all Judea and all the district around the Jordan; and they were being **baptized**^v by him in the Jordan River, **as they confessed their sins**. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for **baptism**^r, he said to them, "You brood of vipers, who warned you **to flee from the wrath to come**? Therefore bear fruit in keeping with **repentance** ... every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "As for me, I **baptize**^v you **with water for repentance**, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I ... He will **baptize**^v you with **the Holy Spirit and fire**... Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan **coming** to John, to be **baptized**^v by him.

Mark 1:4-9

John the **Baptist**^r appeared in the wilderness preaching a **baptism**^r of **repentance for the forgiveness of sins**. And all the country of Judea was going out to him, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were being **baptized**^v by him in the Jordan River, **confessing their sins**... "I **baptized**^v you **with water**; but He will **baptize**^v you **with the Holy Spirit**." ...In those days Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was **baptized**^v by John...

Luke 3:2-21

...the word of God came to John, the son of Zacharias, in the wilderness. And he came into all the district around the Jordan, **preaching a baptism**^r of **repentance for the forgiveness of sins** ..."MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD... ALL FLESH WILL SEE THE SALVATION OF GOD."... So he *began* saying to the crowds who were going out to be **baptized**^v by him, "You brood of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Therefore bear **fruits in keeping with repentance** ...And the crowds were questioning him, saying, "**Then what shall we do?**"... **share** with him who has none; ...**Collect** no more than what you have been ordered ...Do not **take** ... or **accuse** ... and be **content** ... "As for me, I **baptize**^v you **with water**; but One is coming who is mightier than I... He will **baptize**^v you **with the Holy Spirit and fire**. with many other exhortations he preached the gospel to the people... Now when all the people were **baptized**^v, Jesus was also **baptized**^v, and while He was praying, heaven was opened...

John 1:22-34

They asked him, and said to him, "**Why then are you baptizing**^v, if you are not the Christ, nor **Elijah, nor the Prophet?**" John answered them saying, "I **baptize**^v in **water**, but among you stands One whom you do not know... These things took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was **baptizing**^v... I came baptizing in water... John testified saying, "I have seen the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven, and He remained upon Him. I did not recognize Him, but **He who sent me to baptize**^v in **water** said to me, 'He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, this is the One who **baptizes**^v in the **Holy Spirit**. I myself have seen, and have testified that this is the Son of God."

^v βαπτίζω *baptidzo*
Meaning: to dip, sink
<907> Origin: from 911
Usage: Baptist(3), baptize(9), baptized(51), baptizes(1), baptizing(10), ceremonially washed(1), undergo(1).

^r βάπτισμα *baptisma*
Meaning: (the result of) a dipping or sinking
<908> Origin: from 907
Usage: baptism(20).

^p βαπτιστής *baptistes*
Meaning: a baptizer
<910> Origin: from 907
Usage: John the Baptist(12).

Option to use Nicander's pickle recipe to contrast *bapto* with *baptidzo* washing vs transforming

KEY

Re John's Water baptism

Re: baptism with the Spirit and fire

Questions/discuss this

Riches in Christ

Luke 7:28-34

"I say to you, among those born of women there is no one greater than John... When all the people and the tax collectors heard, they **acknowledged God's justice**, having been **baptized^v** with the **baptism^r** of John. But the Pharisees and the lawyers **rejected God's purpose for themselves**, not having been **baptized^v** by John. "To what then shall I compare the men of this generation, and what are they like? They are like children who sit in the market place and call to one another... For John the **Baptist^p** has come eating no bread and drinking no wine, and you say, 'He has a demon!' The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Behold, a gluttonous man and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!'

John 3:22-4:2

After these things Jesus and His disciples came into the land of Judea, and there He was **spending time with them** and **baptizing**. John also was **baptizing** in Aenon near Salim, because **there was much water** there; and *people* were coming and were being **baptized**... there arose a discussion on the part of John's disciples with a Jew about **purification**. And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified, behold, He is **baptizing** and all are coming to Him." ... He must increase, but I must decrease... the Pharisees had heard that **Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples** than John although Jesus Himself was not **baptizing**, but His disciples were...

Matthew 21:25-27 (also Mark 11:30; Luke 20:4-8)

"The **baptism^r** of John was from what *source*, **from heaven or from men?**" And they *began* reasoning among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say to us, 'Then why did you not believe him?' "But if we say, 'From men,' we fear the people; for they all regard John as a prophet." And answering Jesus, they said, "We do not know." He also said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

John 10:39-42

they were seeking again to seize Him, and He eluded their grasp. And He went away **again beyond the Jordan to the place where John was first baptizing**, and He was staying there... Many believed in Him there. *{tjs: a significant place for Jesus in light of prophecy and rejection?!}*

Matthew 28:19 Jesus to the eleven

"Go therefore and **make disciples** of all the nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit...

Mark 16:16 Jesus to the eleven

"He who has believed and has been **baptized** shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

ACTS 1: 4-5

Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which you heard of from Me; for John **baptized with water**, but you will be **baptized with the Holy Spirit** not many days from now."

{tjs: implied, this did not happen before, all those baptisms the disciples presided over were not the same as what is about to happen}

Acts 2: 38-41 Peter to the international crowd

Peter *said* to them, "**Repent**, and each of you be **baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins**; and you will receive **the gift of the Holy Spirit**. For the promise is **for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself**."... those who had **received his word** were **baptized**; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.

Acts 8:11-18 Philip in the city of Samaria

...he had for a long time astonished them with his magic arts. But when they believed Philip preaching the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were being **baptized**, men and women alike.

Even Simon himself believed; and after being **baptized**, he continued on with Philip, and as he observed signs and great miracles taking place, he was constantly amazed.

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For He had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had simply [μ ο ν ο ν monon merely; only(53), simply(2)] been **baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus**. Then they began laying their hands on them, and they were receiving the Holy Spirit. Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was bestowed through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money...

Acts 8:36-39 Philip and the Ethiopian

As they went along the road they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "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." And he ordered the chariot to stop; and they both went down into the water, Philip as well as the eunuch, and he **baptized** him. ... the eunuch no longer saw him, but went on his way rejoicing.

Acts 9:17-18 Ananias and Saul

...after laying his hands on him said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road by which you were coming, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he regained his sight, and he got up and was **baptized**...

Acts 10:37-48 Peter answering Cornelius

"...you yourselves know the thing which took place throughout all Judea, starting from Galilee, after the **baptism which John proclaimed**.

...All the circumcised believers who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. For they were hearing them speaking with tongues and exalting God. Then Peter answered, "Surely no one can refuse the water for these to be **baptized** who have received the Holy Spirit just as we did, can he?" And he ordered them to be **baptized in the name of Jesus Christ**.

Acts 11:13-18 Peter to the Council

"And [Cornelius] reported to us how he had seen the angel standing in his house, and saying, 'Send to Joppa and have Simon, who is also called Peter, brought here; and he will speak words to you by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as He did upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how He used to say, 'John **baptized with water**, but you will be **baptized with the Holy Spirit**.' "Therefore if God gave to them the same gift as He gave to us also after believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?"

When they heard this, they quieted down and glorified God, saying, "Well then, God has granted to the Gentiles also the repentance that leads to life."

Acts 16:14-15

A woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple fabrics, a worshiper of God, was listening; and the Lord opened her heart to respond to the things spoken by Paul. And when she and her household had been **baptized**, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house and stay..."

Acts 16: 31-34 Paul & Silas with the Jailer's family

They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him together with all who were in his house. And he took them that very hour of the night and washed their wounds, and immediately he was baptized, he and all his household. And he brought them into his house and set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, having believed in God with his whole household.

Acts 18:7-8

Then [Paul] left there and went to the house of a man named Titius Justus, a worshiper of God, whose house was next to the synagogue. Crispus, the leader of the synagogue, believed in the Lord with all his household, and many of the Corinthians when they heard were believing and being baptized.

Acts 8:24 - 19:7

... a Jew named Apollos, an Alexandrian by birth, an eloquent man, came to Ephesus; and he was mighty in the Scriptures. This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he was speaking and teaching accurately the things concerning Jesus, being acquainted only with the baptism of John; and he began to speak out boldly in the synagogue. But when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately. And when he wanted to go across to Achaia, the brethren encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him; and when he had arrived, he greatly helped those who had believed through grace, for he powerfully refuted the Jews in public, demonstrating by the Scriptures that Jesus was the Christ... Paul passed through the upper country and came to Ephesus, and found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said to him, "No, we have not even heard whether there is a Holy Spirit." And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" And they said, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in Him who was coming after him, that is, in Jesus." When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking with tongues and prophesying. There were in all about twelve men.

Acts 22:14-16 Paul to the mob re: Ananias/conversion

And [Ananias] said, 'The God of our fathers has appointed you to know His will and to see the Righteous One and to hear an utterance from His mouth. For you will be a witness for Him to all men of what you have seen and heard. Now why do you delay? Get up and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name.'

Romans 6:3-4

...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 newness of life...

1 Corinthians 1:13-17

Has Christ been divided? Paul was not crucified for you, was he? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one would say you were baptized in my name.

(Now I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized any other.) For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel...

1 Corinthians 10:1-2

For I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that our fathers were all **under the cloud** and all **passed through the sea**; and all were **baptized into Moses in the cloud** and **in the sea**...

1 Corinthian 12:13

For by **one Spirit** we were all **baptized** into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to **drink of one Spirit**.

1 Corinthians 15:29

what will those do who are **baptized for the dead**? If the dead are not raised at all, why then are they **baptized** for them?

Galatians 3:27

For all of you who were **baptized** into Christ have **clothed yourselves with Christ**.

Ephesians 4:4

...**one body** and **one Spirit**, just as also you were called in **one hope** of your calling; **one Lord**, **one faith**, **one baptism**, **one God and Father of all** who is over all and through all and in all...

Ephesians 5:25

...Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, so that He might **sanctify** her, having **cleansed her by the washing of water with the word**, that He might present to Himself the church **in all her glory**, having **no spot or wrinkle or any such thing**; but that she would be **holy and blameless**. **So** husbands ought also to love their own wives...

Colossians 2:10-12

...and in Him you have been **made complete**... having been **buried with Him in baptism**, in which you were **also raised up with Him** through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead...

Titus 3:4-6

But when the kindness of God our Savior and *His* love for mankind 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 upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior...

Hebrews 6:1-2

...Therefore leaving the **elementary teaching** about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again **a foundation** of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of **instruction about washings** {βαπτισμοϛ} and **laying on of hands**, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment...

1 Peter 3:18-21

...the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were **brought safely through the water**. Corresponding to that, **baptism now saves you**-- not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but **an appeal to God for a good conscience**-- through the resurrection of Jesus Christ...

Parallels from the Prophets

Joel 2:28-29 The Word of the LORD

"It will come about after this that I will **pour out My Spirit** on all mankind; And your **sons and daughters** will prophesy, Your **old men** will dream dreams, Your **young men** will see visions. **Even on the male and female servants** I will **pour out My Spirit** in those days..."

Zechariah 12:10 On the destruction of Jerusalem

"I will **pour out** on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, **the Spirit** of grace and of supplication, so that **they will look on Me whom they have pierced**; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns **for an only son**, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a **firstborn**.

Isaiah 44:3-6

... I will **pour out water** on the thirsty *land* And **streams** on the dry ground; I will **pour out My Spirit on your offspring** And My blessing **on your descendants**... This one will say, 'I am the LORD'S'; ... and another will write *on* his hand, 'Belonging to the LORD,' ... Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: 'I am the first and I am the last, And there is no God besides Me.