





In this workbook <u>Probing Questions</u> are used to go deep into the verse and clarify what it says and means.







Just reading the verse carefully, with the question in mind, can help you see how easy it is to answer the Bible questions accurately.









In This way you can let the Bible tell you what the answer really is.

You will quickly discover that the answer is always in the verse, and you don't ever have to guess at it!









However, you might not always agree with the answer... but it will always be the right answer. The one you can always read for yourself right Out of the Bible!



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SO LETS GET STARTED!





#### We Start By Reading The Bible For Ourselves!



1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (Not The Putting Away Of The Filth Of The Flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



The (KJV) King James Version Will Be Used Throughout This Bible Study, Unless Otherwise Stated.





## What Is The Like Figure?

1 Peter 3:21







#### Baptism Is The *Like* Figure!

1 Peter 3:21

The Like Figure whereunto Even

Baptism doth also now save us (Not The Putting Away Of The Filth Of The Flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



The Bible Says The Like Figure Is Baptism!





Since Baptism Is The <u>Like</u> Figure... Lets Look In 1 Peter 3:20 To See If We Can Find The Figure...
That Baptism Is Like!



#### 1 Peter 3:20

Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

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# So Then... What Is The Figure That God Used To Save Noah And His Family?









Is The **Key** Figure That God Used To Save Noah And His Family!

1 Peter 3:20

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were Saved By Water.

<u>Water</u> Is <u>The Key Figure</u> That Baptism Is Like, Because They Both Do The Same Thing... Save Souls!







Now That We Know That God Used Water
To Save Noah And His Family,
Lets Focus On How We Are Saved Today!





### What Does God Use To Save Us?





#### God Uses Baptism To Save Us...

1 Peter 3:21

Baptism doth also now Save Us (Not The Putting Away Of The Filth Of The Flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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He Could Have Used Something Else... But He Didn't!





## Accept God's Plan... And Be Baptized!

It is by God's own wisdom and choice that He chose to use baptism to save man.

So... Don't Make Up Your Own Plan Of Salvation, But Accept God's Plan Instead!

In order to do this you are going to have to take a closer look at the Bible, especially on the subject of Baptism.

- **\*** It is the only way you will ever be sure you are saved.
- \*It is the only way you will ever clear up your confusion on this Soul-Saving Subject.







#### Does This Verse Actually Say...

## That Baptism Saves?







## Yes... This Verse Boldly Says That Baptism Does Save!

1 Peter 3:21

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Of The Flesh, but the answer

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by Tesurrection of Jesus Christ.

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The Word "Doth" Means Does. And Does Is Positivel

When You Study The Bible, Never Make The Mistake Of Explaining Something **Positive**, As If It Were Something **Negative**.







The Text Says...

#### Baptism Doth Save!

In this verse (1 Pet 3:21) in plain and simple English the Bible tells us that Baptism <u>Does</u> Save. If Baptism Saves, Doesn't this mean that Baptism is the Savior, and not Jesus?!!

NO!! What it means is that Jesus is our Savior, but Baptism is the way, method, or plan that He uses to do it. This is why Baptism Saves, because the Savior won't save you unless you follow His plan, and Get Baptized!

Our job is not to argue, debate, or try to change God's mind. Our responsibility is to understand, accept, and practice whatever God says.

Baptism is The What That Saves You! And Jesus is The Who That Saves You!







## When Does Baptism Save?







#### Baptism Saves Now!

1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also <u>Now</u> save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

If You Want To Be Saved Today, Then You Must Be Baptized Today!

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NOW... Means Today! In This Day, And During This Time!



## According to verse 20... What kind of Baptism Saves?







#### , Water Baptism Saves!

And The Message Is Loud And Clear...

As You Will See Below!

1 Pet 3:20

Which sometime where disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls where saved by

Water

1 Peter 3:21 Teaches...

Baptism Saves!







#### God's Salvation Equation

So We Can See Through The Scriptures **How Everything Go Together!** 

1 Pet 3:20 Caved 1 Pet 3:21

Saves

Therefore

Baptism \_ Water Baptism Saves

The Common Denominator Is

-Salvation-

And The Only Conclusion Is

Water Baptism Saves!







#### So. Lets Clear Up Any Confusion You May Have About Baptism!

Water Baptism Is Not The

Savior...

But It Is The Only Method That He Uses To Save!

There Is One Lord, And One Baptism That Saves (Eph 4:5).





#### By Saying That

#### **Water Baptism Saves-**

The Bible is Teaching That We Are Saved By The Power Of God!

1 Pet 3:20

Water is The Visible Power Of the Invisible God.



Baptism is The Point At Which

You Reach that Power.

And Salvation Begins.



The Invisible Power Of God

Works in

The Visible Water Of Baptism

To Save Souls!







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## Baptism Is A Picture Of The Death, Burial, And Resurrection Of Jesus Christ Roman 6:3,4

But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water (John 19:34).

The Blood Of Christ







We Are Momentarily Buried With Him
By Baptism, Completely Covered In Water;
Into His Death Where His Blood Was Shed...
Then We Are Resurrected, That Is,
Pulled Out Of The Water
To Live A New Life.

Burial
We Reach
The Blood Of Christ
in The Water.
Which Cleanses Us
From Our Sins

The Holy Spirit

Is Instantly Given,

After You Are

Resurrected

(Pulled From Under)

The Water...

So You Can Walk

In The Newness

Of Life (Rom 6:4).



### God Keeps On Using Ordinary Water To Save Souls.

-In The Past-

God Used Flood Water To Save Those Who Chose To Believe In His Plan Of Salvation.

-1 Peter 3:20-

-Now-

God Uses Water Baptism To Save Those Who Choose To Believe In His Plan Of Salvation.

-1 Peter 3:21-





Water

Baptism Saves

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## Who Does Baptism Saves?







#### Baptism Saves Us-1 Peter 3:21

Baptism doth also now Save Us

(not the putting away of the filth
 of the flesh, but the answer
 of a good conscience toward God,)
by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.







#### You Cannot Afford To Be Mistaken!

- 1. Noah had to stay out of the water in order to be Saved.
- 2. Today you will have to get in the water to be saved.
- 3. There is no mention of Holy Spirit Baptism, nor the Baptism Of Fire, but Water is strongly implied in the phrase that says, 'not the putting away of the filth of the flesh.'
- 4. Its right here that a Warning is in order.

#### -WARNING-

Never Try To Make The Bible Say
Something It's Not Really Saying. Twisting
The Truth To Make The Bible Say
What Your Church Believe Will Not Save **You!** 





### You Are Not Saved The Moment You Believe!

You are only qualified to be saved the moment you believe (Mark 16:15, 16).

You must follow through on all the Steps Of Faith... Conscience will not be cleared-up.

You will not be Right with God!

You Must Be Qualified
By Hearing, Believing, Repenting, And Confessing,
In Order To Be Baptized!







#### ...According To This Verse...

## What Is Baptism?





#### Baptism Is The Answer

#### Of A Good Conscience Toward God!

1 Peter 3:21

Baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but The Answer Of A Good Conscience Toward God by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Of A Good Conscience Toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Confession <u>Is Not</u> The Answer Of A Good Conscience Toward God, But It Is Included In That Answer.









### Baptism Is More Than A Burial In Water! Romans 6:4

-Baptism Boldly, Simply, And Repeatedly Defined-Is Answering God's Call To Be Saved.

It Is The Only Real Way To Answer God's Call To Be Saved Which Includes Taking All The Steps Of Faith, And Clearing Up Your Guilty Conscience Before Him!

So, Getting Baptized Is The Only Way To Completely Answer God's Call In Order To Receive Salvation.



# When You Get Baptized You Are Answering God's Call To Be Saved.

-2 Thess 2:14 -

You are clearing up your conscience by knowing you have done all that God asks of you to be saved! Baptism is the final step for getting into God's kingdom, and the first step to beginning a new life.

Baptism Is A Step You Must Take, If You Are Serious About Saving Your Soul. However, Baptism Is Not The Only Step You Must Take.







#### Again,

### Baptism Is The Answer For Anyone Who Have Not Yet Obeyed God.

Peter is saying if you don't get baptized in water to be saved, its because you don't believe in God at all. You believe in something else, or someone else so strongly, it is keeping you from obeying the One True God who is the Author Of The Entire Bible.





# If You Don't Get Baptized In Water To Be Saved, It Is Because...

You may have A BAD ATTITUDE toward this ONE THING

that God have commanded you to do to be saved!

This Bad Attitude Is Based On

A Feeling, Instead Of The Bible!

You may feel that you are already saved, even though you know you have Not been baptized in water.

#### The Bad Attitude

Doing What You Feel, Rather Than Doing What You Know God Has Said In His Word.







## Again, If You Don't Get Baptized In Water To Be Saved, It Is Because...

You are not for(toward) God.

You are fighting against Him!

Refusing to do what He say!

Refusing to do things His way!



## Baptism Is The Only Way You Can Complete Your Answer To God's Call To Be Saved.

- It Cannot Be Left Out! -





3. Repentance Only Is Not Enough (Acts 3:19).

4. Confession Only Is Always Empty (Romans 10:9).

You Also Must Be Baptized In Water (1 Peter 3:21).

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### You Really Are Not Saved The Moment You Believe...

You are only Qualified to be saved the moment you believe (Mark 16:15, 16).

You must follow through on all the Steps Of Faith... including Baptism, or else your conscience will not be clear.

You WILL NOT be Right with God!

You Must Be Qualified
By Hearing, Believing, Repenting, And Confessing,
In Order To Be Baptized!







#### Is It True That...

### Baptism Saves Us Now?





#### Yes... That Is True!

And You Can Read It For Yourself Below.

1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even

Baptism doth also Now Save Us

(not the putting away of the filth
 of the flesh, but the answer
 of a good conscience toward God,)
by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Realize That Jesus Uses Water Baptism
To Save People Today... And He Will Continue To
Do So, Until He Returns.





#### To Avoid Confusion About Baptism,

### You Must Know The Difference Between What Saves You, And Who Saves You.

Peter is Emphasizing What Saves, So You Can Have A True Relationship With The One Who Saves.

> You Must Remember, Baptism is The <u>What</u> (The One Plan) That Saves You... And Jesus is (The One Savior) <u>Who</u> Saves You!







# What Is Baptism Not Meant To Do?







## To Answer This Question... Read The Expanded Translation Below.

1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even

(Not The Putting Away Of The Filth

Of The Flesh, but the answer

of a good conscience toward God,)

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



Realize That Water Baptism Is Not Used To Remove The Filth From Your Body. So, It Is Not The Same As Taking A Bath Or Even Taking A Shower!







#### Baptism Is Not Used By God To Benefit You Outwardly At All.

- 1. It Won't Make Your Hair Grow.
- 2. It Won't Make Your Body Clean.
- 3. It Won't Make You Look Better.
- 4. It Won't Make You Taller Or Shorter.







### Baptism Helps You Spiritually... Or Inwardly.

# It Is Only Used By God To Do One Thing!

The One Thing That Baptism Does Is...

Save Your Soul!







# What Should You Do... If You Want To Clean Your Body?





### If You Want To Clean Your Body,

### Take A Bath Or Shower!

Do Not Even Think About Getting Baptized For This Purpose!

Although Baptism Involves Much Water...
It Is Not For Cleaning Your Body!





# And What Should You Do... If You Are Serious About Saving Your Soul?





#### If You Are Serious About Saving Your Soul...

#### Get Baptized Now!

1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even

Baptism Doth Also Now Save Us

(Not The Putting Away Of The Filth

Of The Flesh, but the answer

of a good conscience toward God,)

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

But If You Are Not Serious About Saving Your Soul,
Then You Should Be!







### So, Water Baptism Has One Main Purpose...

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Not Taking A Bath.







#### The Not Of Baptism!

Peter is trying to Clear Up The Confusion people were having About The Used IN Baptism by telling them what Baptism is NOT designed to do.

He gave them the following explanation...

'Not The Putting Away Of The Filth Of The Flesh'





#### What We Don't Clean Our Bodies With!

Baptism is not for the purpose of taking a bath, cleaning The flesh. We clean our bodies with water.

We don't clean our bodies with the <u>Holy Spirit</u>, and we certainly don't use Bugs, Worms, Trash, Or <u>Fire!</u> At least most of us don't!

So, water Baptism is the only type of baptism being talked about. It is indeed the baptism that saves.





# Looking Back At Verse 20 Again... What Kind Of Baptism Saves Your Soul?





#### 1 Peter 3:20

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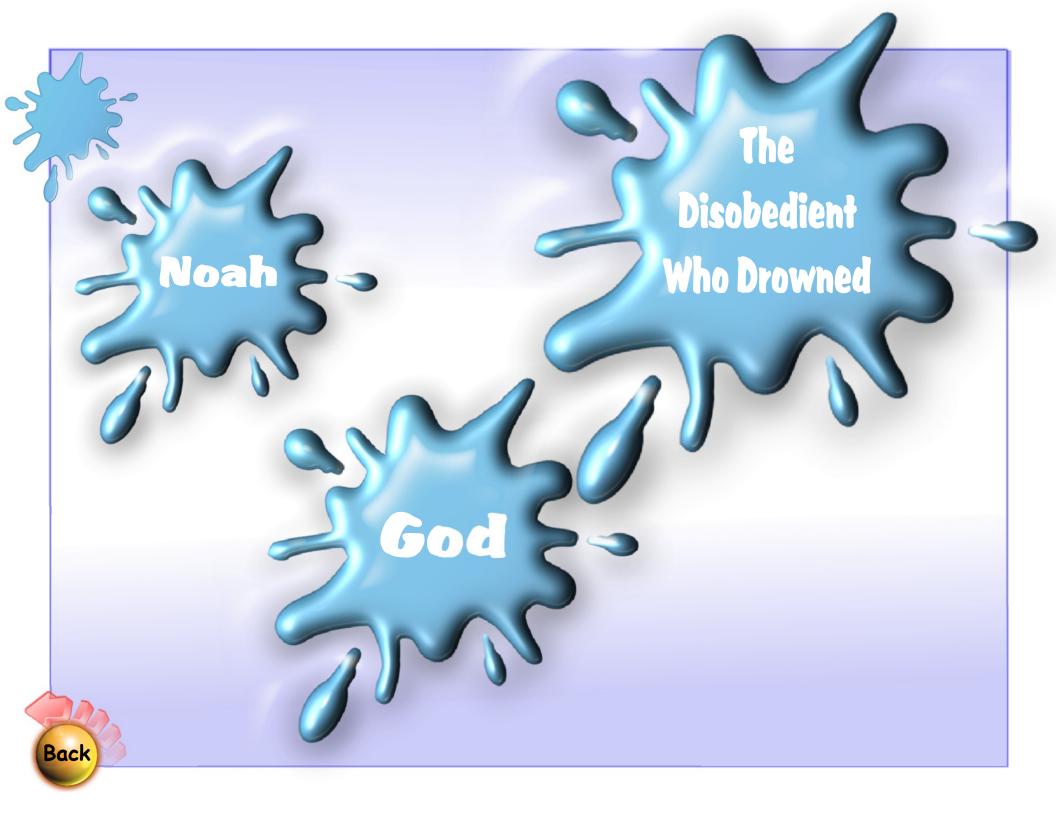


# Who Decided To Use Water To Save Noah, And His Family?









#### 1 Pet 3:20

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By Water.



## Not The Disobedient... For They Drowned!

1 Pet 3:20

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By Water.

Only Eight Souls Were Saved...
The Rest Drowned!





# The Bible Says 60d Chose Water To Save Noah And His Family!

1 Pet 3:20

Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were Saved

By Water.

It Was God's Choice To Decide To Use Water To Save Noah.





## Here Are Three Facts About God To Remember!

(1) God Chose The Plan By Which He Would Save Noah.

(2) God Did Not Give Noah A Choice In How he Should Be Saved.

(3) God Used Water To Save Noah.

Lets Explore Each of These Points
In More Detail!







#### God Chose The Plan By Which He Would Save Noah

Noah's Did Not Approach God And Say "Look God, Let Me Tell You... I Need To Be Saved, And Here Is How We Are Going To Do It."

He Simply Left This Matter Up To God.



God Has A Plan For Your Life! (Jer 29:11)



#### (2)

#### God Did Not Give Noah A Choice In How He Should Be Saved.

Noah's only choice was to accept God's Plan or reject it! Happily, he accepted God's Plan.

Will You Do The Same?

Well... Will You?!







The World Thought This Was A Silly Plan,
But They Drowned! So, When It Comes To
Saving Your Soul, You Should Not Be
Worried About What The World Thinks.
Only Concern Yourself With What God Word Says.

If You Listen To The World, They Will Determine Your Fate. But... If You Listen To God, He Will Determine Your Destiny!

Who Are You Listening To...
The World, Or The Word?!

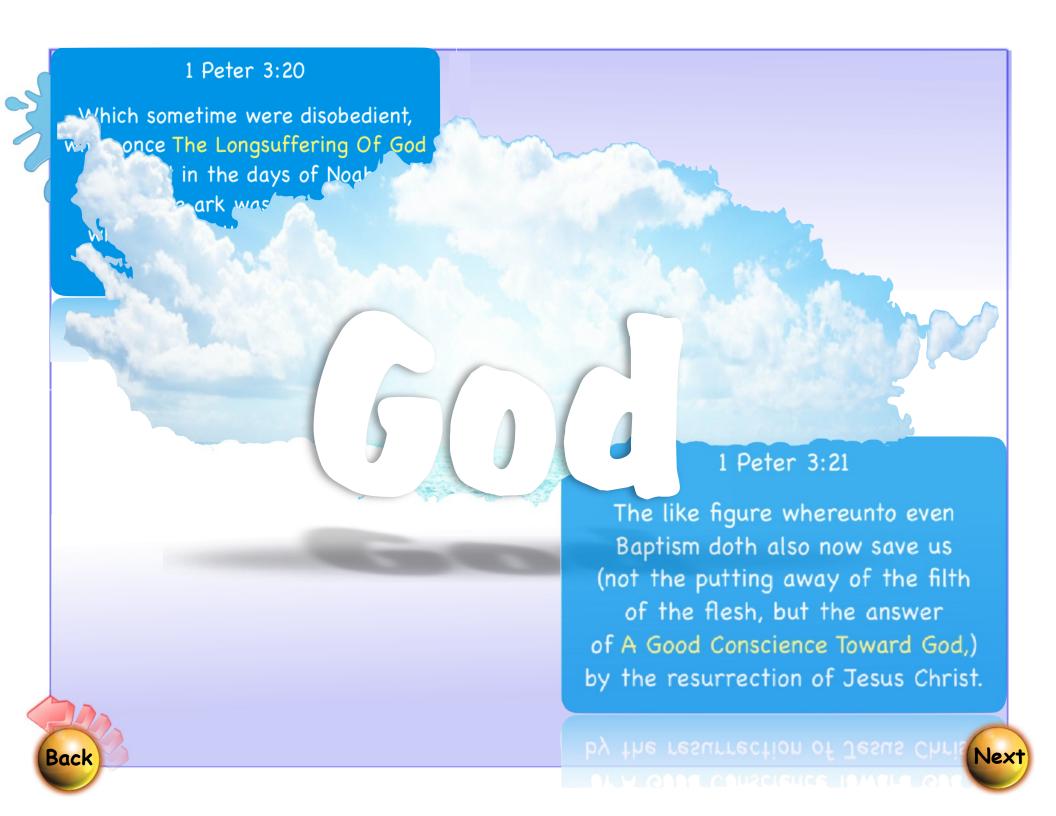






### **So...** Who Alone Is Qualified To Decided How Men Should Be Saved Today?







# According To Verse 21... Can You Save Your Soul By Taking A Bath?









#### 1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even
Baptism doth also now Save us
(Not The Putting Away Of The Filth
Of The Flesh, but the answer
of a good conscience toward God,)
by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

You Can't Save Your Soul By Bathing.







# Can You Save Your Soul By Being Baptized?







### -Yes!-

#### 1 Peter 3:21

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of the flesh, but the answer

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### If You Get Baptized

# -Now-When Will You Be Saved?







### -NOW-

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by the resurrection of Jesus Christ

Baptism Results In Your Immediate Salvation!







# So, Are You Ready To Be Saved Now?







## 2 Thessalonians

1:7-9

7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power.

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## According To The Bible...

# Are You Saved Before, Or After Baptism?







## You Are Saved After Baptism!

1 Peter 3:21

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(Not The Putting Away Of The Filth

Of The Flesh, but the answer

of a good conscience toward God,)

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Since The Bible Clearly Teach That Baptism Saves, You Can Only Be Saved AFTER Baptism.







# Can You Be Saved Without Baptism?







# 1 Peter 3:21

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The like figure whereunto even doth also now Saves us (not the putting away of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Since Baptism is What Saves You, You Cannot Be Saved Without it!







# Is It True That The Baptism That Saves Is Water Baptism?





# Water Baptism Is The Only Baptism That Saves!

1 Peter 3:20

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The like figure whereunto even doth also now (Not The Putting Away Of The Filth Of The Flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



Yes, It Is True That Water Baptism Saves!





If Water Baptism Does Save

# What About The Thief On The Cross... Was He Baptized?







### The Thief On The Cross Is Often One To Whom People Go

To Claim That Baptism Is Not Necessary To Be Saved.

(THE STORY IS FOUND IN LUKE 23:32-43)

Rather The Thief On The Cross Was Baptized Or Not Doesn't Even Matter,

Because The Thief Died Before Christ Ever Gave His Command

For The Whole World

To Be Baptized In Water In Order To Be Saved (Matt 28:18-20, Mark 16:15,16; and 1 Pet 3:21).

The Biblical Warning To Give To Anyone Focused On The Thief On The Cross, Instead Of On Christ Is This...

Don't Let That Thief Steal Your Salvation!







# Why Does Baptism Save?







Baptism Save You, Because Jesus Rose From The Dead With All Power In His Hands, And Said It Does! And Since Jesus Has ALL Power, What He Says... Goes!

#### 1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even
Baptism doth also now Save us
(Not The Putting Away Of The Filth
Of The Flesh, but the answer
of a good conscience toward God,)
By The Resurrection Of Jesus Christ.

Baptism Is Essential, Because You Must Die To Sin, Self, And Satan...
Then Be Briefly Buried In Water Where Your Soul Is Cleansed By The Blood Of Christ, Afterwards Be Raised Out Of That Water... Instantly Receiving The Holy Spirit To Guide You, And Give You Power To Walk In The Newness Of Life.



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When Did Baptism Become

# A Test Of Faith And

A Step OF Faith

In The Plan Of Salvation?







After The Resurrection Of Jesus Christ,
Baptism Became Both A Test Of Faith
And A Step That True Faith Leads You To Take
(Matt 28:18-20).

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1 Hope That These 25 Probing Questions Have Cleared Up Your Confusion About Baptism, Because...







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