

METHOD OF CONVERSION: Is Baptism Required?

DIRECTIONS: Look up and read each passage of Scripture. Then answer the corresponding question.

1. **MARK 1:4; ACTS 2:38; ACTS 22:16:** As you understand these Scriptures, what is the purpose of Christian water baptism?
2. How does **GALATIANS 3:27**, as well as **ROMANS 6:3**, say that we as Christians have entered *into Christ* and *put on Christ*?
3. According to **COLOSSIANS 2:11-12** how do we allow Christ to circumcise our hearts by *putting off the body of the sins of the flesh*?
4. **HEBREWS 10:22:** With the blood of Jesus Christ our hearts are *sprinkled from an evil conscience* as our bodies are _____.
5. In **MATTHEW 28:19-20** what did Jesus tell His apostles to do when making *disciples of all nations* before He tells them to teach *them to observe all* of His commandments?
6. In **MARK 16:16** Jesus says that he who does what will be saved?
7. According to **1 PETER 3:21** what does water baptism do for us?
8. In **JOHN 3:5** what does the Lord Jesus say are the two elements of being *born again*?
9. How do **ROMANS 6:4** and **COLOSSIANS 2:12** teach us that we have been *buried* with Christ and have consequently risen with Him into a *newness of life*?
10. In **ACTS 16:31-34** Paul tells the Philippian jailer that if he believes on Jesus he and his entire household will be saved. After Paul had preached *to him and all who were in his house* what happened to the jailer and his family *that same hour of the night*?

CRITICAL THINKING: Read the apostle Peter's first two teachings concerning non-Christians becoming Christians. His first is in **ACTS 2:38-39** and the second is **ACTS 3:19-20**. Do you think that Peter is saying the same thing using different words? Why or why not?

TAKE A STAND: Read in **ACTS 19:1-7** about the apostle Paul's encounter in Ephesus with 12 disciples who already believed in Jesus and had already decided to follow Him. Notice the two key questions He asks. Paul was checking to make sure that these 12 men had actually and completely been *born again* by the Holy Spirit. Can you see the two elements of the new birth in Paul's questions? Now ask yourself these two questions. Then ask yourself if your *born again* experience happened the same way as in this passage of Scripture. Make sure it does!