

## **SCRIPTURAL METHOD OF WATER BAPTISM: In the Name**

**Are you willing to take this challenge?** Look up and read each passage of Scripture, and then answer the corresponding questions.

1. How many names are mentioned in **MATTHEW 28:19** into which a new disciple is to be baptized?
2. Remember **ROMANS 6:3** and **GALATIANS 3:27**, into *whom* do these Scriptures say that we were baptized?
3. **ACTS 4:10-12** shows us that the only name which brings salvation is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. In **LUKE 24:47**, Jesus says that “*repentance and remission of sins*” (namely water baptism... see SG#1 “Baptism Required”) “*should be preached in*” whose name?
5. On the Day of Pentecost, as recorded in **ACTS 2:38**, in whose name did the apostle Peter instruct every one of them to be baptized “*for the remission of sins*” in order to “*receive the gift of the Holy Spirit?*”
6. According to **ACTS 8:16**, the men and women of Samaria had been baptized in whose name?
7. **ACTS 10:43** says that “*through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins*” (through water baptism... see SG#1). To whose name is this passage of Scripture referring?
8. In **ACTS 19:1-5**, Paul, meeting some disciples who had already been baptized by John the Baptist, tells them to believe in and then re-baptizes them in the name of whom?
9. The apostle Paul, in **ROMANS 10:13**, quotes from the Old Testament book of the prophet Joel. According to **ACTS 22:16**, when did Paul himself “*call on the name of the Lord*” in order to be saved and wash away his sins?
10. What exactly does **COLOSSIANS 3:17** instruct us to do *in the name of the Lord Jesus?*

**CRITICAL THINKING:** In **MATTHEW 28:19**, Jesus instructs His apostles to baptize “*in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit*”. Since the word *name* is singular, do you think that this passage of Scripture is referring to one name in particular? Why or why not, and, if so, then to what name is it referring?

**TAKE A STAND:** **ACTS 4:12** tells us that there is only “*one name*” given to us “*whereby we must be saved*.” However, many professing Christians have trouble receiving this truth as it applies to water baptism. Should it be so difficult? Ask yourself these three questions. What is the name of the Father (see **JOHN 5:43**)? What is the name of the Son (see **MATTHEW 1:21**)? What is the name of the Holy Spirit (see **JOHN 14:26**)? Throughout the book of Acts, you will find that the apostles or our Lord as well as other early Christian ministers consistently baptized in none other than the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Have you been “*baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins*” (**ACTS 2:38**)? Make sure you have!