

# BAPTISM INTO JESUS

Acts 19:1-5

- ▶ In the process of appointing elders, in whatever we say, in whatever we listen to, we need to be aware of the Spirit's instruction to the body of Christ.
- ▶ *But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. (1 Cor. 12:24-25 ESV)*
- ▶ “division” Greek-schisma schism – division, discord, seeking to produce a division

- ▶ <sup>28</sup> *Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.*
- ▶ <sup>29</sup> *I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock;*
- ▶ <sup>30</sup> *and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. (Acts 20:28-30 ESV)*

- ▶ “We were baptized in John’s baptism”
  - ▶ Same physical act:
    - ▶ Baptism in water
    - ▶ Belief
    - ▶ Obedience to God
    - ▶ Repentance

ACTS 19:1-7

- ▶ King James' Instructions to the translators:
  - ▶ (3) The old ecclesiastical words to be kept; as the word church, not to be translated congregation, &c.
  - ▶ (4) When any word has divers significations, that to be kept which has been most commonly used by the most eminent fathers, being agreeable to the propriety of the place, and the analogy of faith.

BAPTIZE

## ▶ βάπτω, βαπτίζω – Baptize

- ▶ *Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I will give this morsel of bread when I have dipped it." So when he had dipped the morsel, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. (Jn. 13:26 ESV)*
- ▶ The disciples in Ephesus had been immersed in the Jordan River by John for repentance.
- ▶ Jesus immersed by John to “fulfill all righteousness”. (Matt. 3:15)

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- ▶ <sup>4</sup> *And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus."*
- ▶ <sup>5</sup> *On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.*
- ▶ <sup>6</sup> *And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying.*
- ▶ <sup>7</sup> *There were about twelve men in all. (Acts 19:4-7 ESV)*

**BAPTIZED INTO JESUS**

- ▶ John's baptism
  - ▶ Kingdom near – repentance – washing
  - ▶ Could we say “engagement”?
- ▶ Baptism into Jesus
  - ▶ Things to know – believe – trust
    - ▶ Jesus the Messiah - Christ (Son of God) – Savior – Lord
    - ▶ A commitment – marriage – “I Do”
- ▶ *And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest. (Heb. 8:11 ESV)*

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