

# Romans 6 - Baptism

## v1-2 Link with Rom 5.

What must our response be? God's grace teaches us to live a Godly life.

## v3-8 Baptism is a burial.

It is a symbolic death and resurrection.

## v4 We publicly declare that we want to be like Jesus.

## v5 We must live as if resurrected to immortality.

If we are "in Christ", we have a guarantee of resurrection.

## v6-8 We "die" with Christ, but also "live" the life of Christ

### CHAPTER 6,

<sup>1</sup> We may not live in sin, <sup>12</sup> nor let sin reign any more. <sup>23</sup> Death the wages of sin.

**WHAT** shall we say then? <sup>2</sup> Shall we continue in sin, that <sup>3</sup> grace may abound?

<sup>2</sup> God forbid. How shall we, that <sup>3</sup> are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

<sup>3</sup> Know ye not, that <sup>4</sup> so many of us as <sup>5</sup> were baptized <sup>6</sup> into Jesus Christ <sup>7</sup> were baptized into his death?

<sup>4</sup> Therefore we are <sup>5</sup> buried with him by baptism into death: that like as <sup>6</sup> Christ was raised up from the dead by <sup>7</sup> the glory of the Father, even so <sup>8</sup> we also should walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup> For <sup>6</sup> if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also <sup>7</sup> in the likeness of his resurrection:

<sup>6</sup> Knowing this, that <sup>7</sup> our old man <sup>8</sup> is crucified with <sup>9</sup> him, that <sup>10</sup> the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth <sup>11</sup> we should not serve sin.

<sup>7</sup> For <sup>8</sup> he that is dead is <sup>9</sup> freed from sin.

<sup>8</sup> Now <sup>9</sup> if we be dead with Christ, we believe that <sup>10</sup> we shall also live with him:

v12 Sin is no longer in control of us. It does not dominate our lives

v13 Live our lives as if we are immortal. Give our whole lives for Christ, **Gal 2:20**

v17 Bible Doctrine has a practical outworking,

## Repentance fundamental to salvation:

- Luke 5:32** Repentance is for sinners
- Luke 13:3** Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish
- Acts 2:38; 3:19** Repent and be baptised for remission of sins
- Acts 17:30** God commands everyone everywhere to repent
- Acts 26:20** Repentance involves a changed way of life
- Isaiah 55:6-9** We must forsake our old way of life. Also **Acts 14:15.**

We come to repentance by allowing the Word of God into our minds to change us. Appreciating God's goodness leads us to repentance: **Rom 2:4**. Repentance, baptism and forgiveness frees us from our past, and opens up the future.

**Matt 11:28** Those who are heavy laden will be given rest. God wants to help us by restoring our relationship with Him.

**Baptism** is **one of four** New Testament symbols believers follow. The others are: **bread** and **wine** (**1 Cor 15:20-29**). Also **headcoverings** in ecclesial meetings (**1 Cor 15:1-16**). All these symbols represent **forgiveness and salvation in Christ**, by grace through faith. Those baptised take bread and wine in memorial meetings (**1 Cor 10:15-17; Acts 2:38-42**)

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## Key Baptism verses:

**Matt 16:16** "He that believes and is baptised shall be saved."

**Matt 28:19-20** "Go and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

**Act 22:16** "Arise, and be baptised, and wash away your sins."

<sup>9</sup> Knowing that <sup>10</sup> Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

<sup>10</sup> For in that he died, <sup>11</sup> he died unto sin <sup>12</sup> once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

<sup>11</sup> Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be <sup>12</sup> dead indeed unto sin, but alive <sup>13</sup> unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

<sup>12</sup> Let not <sup>13</sup> sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

<sup>13</sup> Neither <sup>14</sup> yield ye your members as <sup>15</sup> instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but <sup>16</sup> yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as <sup>17</sup> instruments of righteousness unto God.

<sup>14</sup> For sin shall not have dominion over you: for <sup>15</sup> ye are not under the law, but under grace.

<sup>15</sup> What then? <sup>16</sup> shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

<sup>16</sup> Know ye not, that <sup>17</sup> to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

<sup>17</sup> But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart <sup>18</sup> that form of doctrine <sup>19</sup> which was delivered you.

<sup>18</sup> Being then <sup>19</sup> made free from sin, <sup>20</sup> ye became the servants of righteousness.

<sup>19</sup> <sup>20</sup> I speak after the manner of men <sup>21</sup> because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

<sup>20</sup> For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free <sup>21</sup> from righteousness.

<sup>a</sup> Rev. 1. 18.  
<sup>b</sup> Cp. ch. 7. 5.  
<sup>c</sup> ch. 1. 32 & 8. 6, 13.  
<sup>d</sup> Prov. 24. 12.  
<sup>e</sup> Heb. 9. 28.  
<sup>f</sup> Heb. 10. 10.

<sup>f</sup> ver. 2.  
<sup>g</sup> Gal. 2. 19.  
<sup>h</sup> ch. 5. 12.  
<sup>i</sup> Ps. 19. 13.  
<sup>k</sup> ch. 2. 7.  
<sup>l</sup> 1 Pet. 1. 3, 4.  
<sup>m</sup> ver. 19.  
<sup>n</sup> ch. 7. 5. 23.  
<sup>o</sup> Col. 3. 5.  
<sup>p</sup> James 4. 1. Cp.  
<sup>q</sup> Prov. 6. 13.  
<sup>r</sup> Gr. *armis*, or, *weapons*.

<sup>2</sup> Cor. 10. 4. Cp.  
<sup>3</sup> ch. 13. 12.  
<sup>4</sup> a Cor. 6. 7.  
<sup>5</sup> ch. 12. 1.  
<sup>6</sup> 1 Pet. 4. 2.  
<sup>7</sup> 1 Cor. 7. 39.  
<sup>8</sup> John 1. 17.  
<sup>9</sup> ver. 4.  
<sup>10</sup> Cp.  
<sup>11</sup> 1 Cor. 9. 21.  
<sup>12</sup> Mat. 5. 32.  
<sup>13</sup> ver. 20.  
<sup>14</sup> John 8. 34. Cp.  
<sup>15</sup> Mat. 6. 24.  
<sup>16</sup> ch. 6. 2 & 8. 2.  
<sup>17</sup> Gal. 5. 18.  
<sup>18</sup> Eph. 2. 15.  
<sup>19</sup> Col. 2. 14.  
<sup>20</sup> ch. 2. 20.  
<sup>21</sup> 1 Tim. 1. 13.

<sup>3</sup> Gr. *where-to ye were delivered*.  
<sup>4</sup> Luke 1. 4.  
<sup>5</sup> ver. 22.  
<sup>6</sup> John 8. 32.  
<sup>7</sup> 1 Cor. 7. 22.  
<sup>8</sup> 1 Pet. 2. 16.  
<sup>9</sup> ch. 3. 5.  
<sup>10</sup> Gr. *passions*.  
<sup>11</sup> Gal. 5. 24.  
<sup>12</sup> Gal. 4. 13. Cp.  
<sup>13</sup> 1 Cor. 3. 2.  
<sup>14</sup> ch. 6. 13.  
<sup>15</sup> Cp. ch. 1. 20.  
<sup>16</sup> Cp. ch. 6. 22.  
<sup>17</sup> Or, *being dead to that*.  
<sup>18</sup> Cp. ver. 4. ch. 6. 2.  
<sup>19</sup> d ch. 2. 27, 29.  
<sup>20</sup> Gr. *to righteousness*.

<sup>21</sup> <sup>b</sup> What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for <sup>c</sup> the end of those things *is* death.

<sup>22</sup> But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

<sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

v23 Salvation cannot be earned. It is a gift from God. It is by grace.

## Key Baptism verses:

**Acts 8:27-38** Ethiopian Eunuch baptised by Philip

**Gal 2:20** The old man is crucified but we are like resurrected people

**Acts 22:16** Paul was not forgiven on the way to Damascus but at his baptism 3 days later

**Eph 2:12-13,19** Covenants of promise the basis of our hope. We become part of God's family

**Matt 28:19-20** Baptism was a direct commandment of Christ himself

**Acts 10:48** Baptism was commanded by Peter, even to the devout man Cornelius

**Acts 2:41; 8:13** Baptism was observed by believers in the first Century

**1 Pet 3:21** Baptism saves us. It is the answer of a good conscience toward God

**Gal 3:26-29** We "put on Christ" through baptism, and become "heirs" of the promises

**Phil 4:3** Our names are written in the book of life

**Heb 13:20-21** Children of the new covenant are born by baptism

## Forgiveness is Conditional....

1. Confess our sin: **1 John 1:9**. Acknowledge our sin: **Psa 51:3**.
2. Genuinely sorry for our sin: **2 Cor 7:10**.
3. Striving to overcome sin and resolve to do better: **Rom 7:18-25**.
4. Forgiving spirit towards others: **Matt 18** - the unjust servant.
5. No covering of our sins, no pretending they don't exist: **Psalms 32:3**.
6. Believe that when God says He will forgive, that He does forgive: **1 John 1:9**.