

Digging Deeper- Discussion for Family Worship and Small Groups 9/5/2021

Sermon: “The Ordinance of Baptism”

Reference: Matthew 28:18-20

Context: Jesus gave his church two ordinances: Baptism and The Lord’s Supper. Like The Lord’s Supper, Baptism is far more significant than we often think.

Main truth: Not only does baptism serve as a public profession of faith in Christ, but it is a visible reminder that we have a gracious King who has given us a new life and a new purpose.

Main Points:

I. Christ has given us the mandate for baptizing believers. (28:18)

Ref. Colossians 1:13-18

II. Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water. (28:19)

Ref. Luke 16:24; Matthew 3:16; Acts 8:35-38; Romans 6:4

III. Baptism serves as one’s public profession of salvation. (28:19)

Ref. Acts 2:38-41; Luke 9:26

IV. Baptism marks the beginning of a new journey for all who believe. (28:20)

a. The Christian journey includes being active in missions and evangelism

Ref. Colossians 4:5

b. The Christian journey includes turning from sin and embracing the new life Christ has given you.

Ref. 1 Corinthians 6:20

c. The life of the local church must be driven by the Word of God.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Discussion Questions:

1. What did you learn about God’s attributes and promises?
2. What challenges you about the message?
3. Were you convicted of any specific sin in your life? Through God’s grace and the power of His Spirit, how will you deal with this sin?
4. What does this Scripture require of me?
5. How will you practically implement these truths?
6. What in this passage points to our need for Jesus?