

## Study 3: Baptism

*When a person comes to Christ they are called to turn from their old way of life (in the kingdom of this world) to a new way of life (in the kingdom of God). Repentance involves turning away from the old (Acts 2:38,40), whereas baptism involves embracing the new kingdom.*

Read Acts 2:36-41.

1. How did these new followers of Jesus seal their commitment?
2. Look at these other passages—Acts 8:12; 9:18; 10:48.  
Was baptism the norm for those who desired to follow Jesus? Who was being baptized?
3. Baptism is the outward sign of initiation into the kingdom of God. How does baptism serve as a good picture to identify us with Christ? Read Romans 6:3-5.
4. How does baptism identify us with other members of His kingdom? Read Acts 2:41.  
To who were the first believers added? When were they added?

### Conclusion

1. How important is baptism to being obedient to God? To a growing faith?
2. Should you be added? To whom should you be added?