

圣经函授课程

A BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

LESSON 11 - BAPTISM

第十一课 - 受浸

What is baptism? Who should be baptized? What is the purpose of baptism? Only God can give us the answers to these questions. God's answers are found in the Bible. Let us learn what the Bible teaches about baptism.

WHO SHOULD BE BAPTIZED?

The Bible gives us certain requirements which we first must obey before we can be baptized. One must believe in Jesus Christ before he can be baptized. Jesus said: "The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned" (Mark 16:16). How do we come to believe in Jesus? It is by hearing the Word of God. "So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ" (Romans 10:17). One must repent of his sins before he can be baptized. The Bible says: "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven..." (Acts 2:38). Repentance must come before baptism.

Before one can be baptized, he must confess his faith in Christ. "... If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved" (Romans 10:9-10).

One must hear the Word of God, believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, repent of his sins, and confess his faith before he can be baptized into Christ. A newborn baby or small child cannot be baptized. A baby cannot understand about Jesus. A baby cannot repent of sins when he has not done anything, either good or bad. A baby cannot confess his faith in Jesus. Since a baby cannot hear, believe, repent, or confess, he cannot be baptized. In the Bible we learn that only people old enough to hear, believe, repent, and confess were ever baptized. "But when they believed Philip, who was proclaiming the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women" (Acts 8:12).

HOW SHOULD ONE BE BAPTIZED?

There are two ways by which churches baptize people today. One is by pouring or sprinkling water on the person's head. The other is by burying or immersing a person in water. Which one is correct baptism? The Bible gives the answer.

In the Bible baptism is called a burial. "...we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). If we want to bury a dead body, we will not sprinkle a little dirt on the head. We will cover the body completely. Baptism is a burial. Sprinkling water on the head of a person does not baptize him. He must be completely buried under the water.

请在下列的空白线上填入答案:

1. 神的答案都是在_____里找得到.
2. 我们借着_____神的话语相信耶稣.
3. 教派用____种方法给现今的人施浸.
4. 用_____给人施洗不是真正的受浸.
5. 如果我们要_____我们必须受浸.

假如句子是正确的、在空白线写『是』; 假如句子是不真实的、在空白线写『非』.

1. ___ 关于受浸教派的道理都一样.
2. ___ 洒水, 倒水, 和受浸都是正确给人施洗的方法.
3. ___ 受浸的人是够成熟来信基督.
4. ___ 在圣经里, 我们有念到小孩子受浸的事.
5. ___ 我们不必受浸还是会得救.

在空白线里填入经节的字:

1. _____而_____ 必然得救 (可 16:16).
2. 所以我们借着洗礼归入死, 和他一同_____, 原是叫我们一举一动有 _____ 的样式, 像基督借着父的荣耀从死里复活一样 (罗 6:4).
3. 你们_____归入基督的, 都是_____ 基督了 (加 3:27).
4. 约翰在靠近撒冷的哀嫩也施洗, 因为那里水_____. 众人都去受洗 (约 3:23).
5. 你们各人要悔改, 奉耶稣基督的名受洗, 叫你们的罪_____, 就就必领受所赐的圣灵 (徒 2:38).
6. 我们都从一位_____受洗, 成了一个 _____ (林前 12:13).
7. 这水所表明得洗礼, 现在借着耶稣基督复活也 _____ 你们. 这洗礼本不在乎除掉肉体的污秽, 只求在神面前有无亏的良心 (彼前 3:21).
8. 及至他们_____腓利所传神国的福音, 和耶稣基督的名, 连 _____带_____ 就受了洗 (徒 8:12).

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

1. God's answers are found in the _____.
2. We come to believe in Jesus by _____ the Word of God.
3. There are _____ ways by which denominations baptize people today.
4. _____ is not true baptism.
5. We must be baptized if we want to be _____.

IF THE STATEMENT IS CORRECT, WRITE TRUE IN THE BLANK;

IF THE STATEMENT IS FALSE, WRITE FALSE IN THE BLANK.

1. ___ All denominations teach the same things about baptism.
2. ___ Sprinkling, pouring, and immersion are all proper ways of baptism.
3. ___ Only people old enough to have faith in Christ should be baptized.
4. ___ In the Bible we read about babies being baptized.
5. ___ We can be saved without being baptized.

FILL IN THE BLANKS IN THE SCRIPTURES:

1. The one who _____ and is _____ will be saved (Mark 16:16).
2. We have been _____ with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in _____ newness of life (Romans 6:4).
3. As many of you as were _____ into Christ have _____ yourselves with Christ (Galatians 3:27).
4. John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim because water was _____ there; and people kept coming and were being baptized (John 3:23).
5. Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be _____ (Acts 2:38).
6. For in the one _____ we were all baptized into one _____ (1 Corinthians 12:13).
7. Baptism _____ saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ (1 Peter 3:21).
8. But when they _____ Philip, who was proclaiming the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both _____ and _____ (Acts 8:12).

受浸是什么？谁应该受浸呢？受浸的目的是什么？只有神能够回答这些问题。神的答案都是在圣经里找得到的。关于受浸我们一起来学习圣经如何教导。

谁应该受浸？

我们受浸之前、首先必须顺从圣经给我们的一些条件。人受浸之前他必须相信耶稣基督。耶稣说：『信而受洗的必然得救，不信的必被定罪』（可 16:16）。我们如何相信耶稣？就是借着听神的话语。『可见信道是从听道来的，听道是从基督的话来的』（罗 10:17）。人受浸之前他必须悔改他的罪。圣经说：『你们各人要悔改，奉耶稣基督的名受洗，叫你们的罪得赦，就必须领受所赐的圣灵』（徒 2:38）。受浸之前必须先悔改。

人受浸之前、必须承认他相信基督。『你若口里认耶稣为主，心里信神叫他死里复活，就必得救。因为人心里相信，就可以称义。口里承认，就可以得救』（罗 10:9-10）。

人受浸之前、必须听神的话、相信主耶稣基督、悔改他的罪、和承认他的信心。刚诞生的婴孩或小孩子不能受浸。婴孩不能明白关于耶稣的事。一个婴孩不能承认他信耶稣。因为婴孩无法听、相信、悔改、或承认、所以他不能受浸。在圣经里我们学习到、受浸的人是够成熟来听、相信、悔改、和承认的。『及至他们信了腓利所传神国的福音，和耶稣基督的名，连男带女就受了洗』（徒 8:12）。

人应该用什么方法受浸？

教派用两种方法给现今的人施浸。第一种是用水洒在或倒在人的头上。另外一种是把人全身潜在或浸入水里。那一种受洗的方法是正确的？圣经可以回答这个问题。

在圣经里、浸理称做是一种埋葬。『所以我们借着洗礼归入死，和他一同埋葬，原是叫我们一举一动有新生的样式，像基督借着父的荣耀从死里复活一样』（罗 6:4）。假如我们要埋葬一个尸体的话、不会把一点土让洒在头上。我们会把全身全部掩埋起来。受浸是一种埋葬。在一个人的头上洒水不算给他施浸。他的全身必须潜在水里面。

“John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim because water was abundant there; and people kept coming and were being baptized” (John 3:23). John chose a place to baptize where there was much water. Sprinkling requires only a little water. But a burial in water requires much water. Therefore, John did not baptize by sprinkling. He baptized by burying in water. “He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing” (Acts 8:38-39). When Philip baptized the eunuch, both of them went down into the water. After the baptism, both of them came up out of the water. To sprinkle a person, it is not necessary to go down into the water. To baptize a person by burying him in water, it is necessary to go down into it. Therefore, Philip baptized the eunuch by burial, not sprinkling.

What is the proper way to baptize? The Bible teaches it is by a burial in water. Therefore sprinkling is not true baptism.

WHY BE BAPTIZED?

There are four reasons why we must be baptized: **First**, we must be baptized if we want to be saved. Jesus Himself said: “The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned” (Mark 16:16). The apostle Peter said: “And baptism . . . now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ” (1 Peter 3:21). **Second**, we must be baptized if we want to have our sins forgiven. The Bible says: “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven...” (Acts 2:38). **Third**, we must be baptized if we want to be in Christ. To be “in Christ” means “to be a Christian.” The Bible says: “As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ” (Galatians 3:27). **Fourth**, we must be baptized if we want to become a member of the body of Christ. The body of Christ is the church of Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23). The Bible says: “For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body...” (1 Corinthians 12:13).

You are now ready to answer the questions on Lesson 11.

『约翰在靠近撒冷的哀嫩也施洗，因为那里水多。众人都去受洗』(约 3:23)。约翰选一个有水多的地方给人施浸。洒水只需要一点点水。但是埋葬需要很多水。所以、约翰没有用洒水的方法给人施洗。他把人埋葬在水里面给人施浸。『于是吩咐车站住，腓利和太监二人同下水里去，腓利就给他施洗。从水里上来，主的灵把腓利提了去，太监也不再见他了，就欢欢喜喜的走路』(徒 8:38-39)。腓利给太监施浸时、他们两位都是下水里去的。受浸之后、他们两位都是从水里上来的。洒水在人的头上、是不必下到水里去的。在水里给人用水埋葬的方式施浸、是需要下水里去。所以、腓利给太监施浸是以埋葬、而不是洒水的方式。

正确给人施洗的方法是什么？圣经教导说是要埋葬在水里面。所以、用洒水给人施洗不是真正的受浸。

为什么要受浸？

为什么我们必须受浸有四种原因。 **第一**、如果我们要得救我们必须受浸。耶稣自己说：『信而受洗的必然得救，不信的必被定罪』(可 16:16)。使徒彼得说：『这水所表明的洗礼，现在借着耶稣基督复活也拯救你们。这洗礼本不在乎除掉肉体的污秽，只求在神面前有无亏的良心』(彼前 3:21)。 **第二**、如果我们要叫我们的罪得赦的话、我们必须受浸。圣经说：『你们各人要悔改，奉耶稣基督的名受洗，叫你们的罪得赦，就必须领受所赐的圣灵』(徒 2:38)。 **第三**、假如我们想要在基督里、我们必须受浸。『在基督里』的意思是『成为基督徒』的意思。圣经说：『你们受洗归入基督的，都是披戴基督了』(加 3:26-27)。 **第四**、如果我们要做基督身体里的一份子、我们必须受浸。基督的身体就是基督的教会 (弗 1:22-23)。圣经说：『... 都从一位圣灵受洗，成了一个身体』(林前 12:13)。

现在、您可以针对第十一课来作答。