



"From the cowardice that shrinks from new truth, from the laziness that is content with half truths, from the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth, O, God of Truth, deliver us."

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Dear Brother Faull,

I confronted my preacher about his lack of mentioning baptism. I am not sure that any newcomer understands how to be saved when visiting my church.

I think baptism particularly is diminished from its proper place into an act that is symbolic of salvation, but not actually part of it; I don't subscribe to that. I want the simple Bible truth to be preached and obeyed without any kind of philosophic mumbo-jumbo.

I was told to preach Christ, not baptism. In my understanding, I am preaching Christ. I only call up the issue of baptism because it is precisely what seems to be de-emphasized inordinately.

ANSWER

Phillip preached unto the Eunuch "Jesus" and the Eunuch said "here is water what doth hinder me to be baptized." Wonder how he knew he had to be baptized just because he preached unto him Jesus. "

Just preach Jesus" is a cop out. When you preach Jesus you surely tell his promise "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved and he that believeth not shall be damned."

Who would talk about a Savior and not say what the Savior said you had to be do to be saved?

He said, therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye **believe** not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins." **John 8:24**

He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that **believeth** on me hath everlasting life." **John 6:47**

He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and **believeth** on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." **John 5:24**

He said, "...if you do not **confess** me before men I will not confess you before my father in Heaven." **Luke 12:8-9**

He said, "If you do not **repent** you will likewise perish". **Luke 13:3**

He said, "**Except** you are born of the water and the Spirit you **CANNOT** enter into the kingdom of God". **John 3:5**

He said, "Whosoever **believes** and is **baptized** shall be saved". **Mark 16:16**

He said, "Whosoever is ashamed of me **AND MY WORDS** of him I will be ashamed". **Luke 9:26**

Those who will talk about the Man and will not tell THE PLAN OF THE MAN is OBVIOUSLY ASHAMED OF THE MAN AND HIS WORDS.

Such a man is in a precarious position. It is one I would not want to be in for any amount of money, praise, acceptance, approval, salary, excuse, or numbers who hear me preach.

God knows what men need. He put baptism in the plan. Baptism is the point of pardon and if a preacher will not tell people where the point of pardon is, he is not a faithful preacher.

He is no better than a doctor who would not tell a person of a cure for cancer when he knew of the medicine that would cleanse them of the disease.

People have a sin problem and baptism into Christ is where one receives the remission of sins and the Gift of the Holy Spirit. In Christian baptism we get rid of the **guilt** of sin, the **consequence** of sin, and the **power** of sin.

A man who will not tell sinners that, is no preacher of Jesus Christ.