

IS BAPTIZM ESSENTIAL TO SALVATION?

Matthew, Mark, Luke and John gives to us in writing , the birth, the life, the death, the burial and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. We learn from reading these four books, that Jesus selected twelve men and prepared them to preach the gospel. Just before Christ ascended back to heaven, He told them in Matt.28:19,GO teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Mark 16:15,16, GO preach the gospel to the world, he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Luke24:4?, preach, repentance and remission of sins to all nations, in the name of Jesus.

Acts 1:11, The Apostles watched Jesus as he ascended back to heaven.

Acts 2:1-36, We read where Peter preached the first gospel sermon after Jesus ascended.

Notice carefully, what Peter told these people to do to be saved.

First let us harmonize what Jesus said to the Apostles concerning salvation in Matt. Mark, and Luke.

Jesus said Hear Believe Repent be Baptized,  
remission of sins Saved

Acts 2:38 Heard Believed Repented Baptized, remission  
of sins Saved

Gift of the Holy Spirit

Acts 3:19 Repent remission  
of sins Saved

Acts 8:12 Heard Believed Baptized  
Saved

Acts 8:13 Heard Believed Baptized  
Saved

Acts 8:36,38,Heard Believed Confessed Baptized  
Saved

Acts10.48 Heard Believed Baptized  
Saved

Acts 16:14-15 Heard Baptized  
Saved

Acts 16:31-34 Heard Believed Baptized  
Saved

Acts 18:8 Heard Believed Baptized  
Saved

Acts 19:4-5 Heard Baptized  
Saved

Acts 22:16 Baptized

Wash away sins Saved Col. 2:12-

Saved

1 Cor.12:13-For by one Spirit we are all Baptized into one body.

Gal. 3:27 For as many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Acts 2:~1 They that gladly received His word were baptized the same day.

Rom.6:3 Know you not, that as many of us were baptized into Jesus Christ, were baptized into His death.

Rom.6:4 Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death.

1 Pet. 3:21 Baptism doeth also now save us.

John 3:5 Except a man be born of water and the Holy Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

John 3:16 Whosoever believeth in Jesus shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

Acts 2:21 Whosoever that calleth upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Matt.7:21 Not everyone that saith Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father.

Acts 16:31 Believe upon the Lord Jesus and thou shall be saved.

Rom. 10:9 If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Luke 13:3 Except ye repent, ye shall all perish.

Matt. 10:32 Whosoever shall confess me before men, him will I confess before my father which is in heaven.

James 2:19 Thou believeth there is one God, thou doest well, the devils believed and tremble.

James 2:24 Man can not be justified by faith only. Eph. 2.5 we are saved by grace.

Rom. 8:24 We are saved by hope.

Titus 3:5 We are saved by God's mercy.

Rom. 5:9 We are justified by His blood. James 1:21 We are saved by the word.

What are all of these scriptures saying to us? Are they saying there are many ways to be saved?

Is the Bible filled with contradictions? In ii Tim.3:16

All scripture is given by the inspiration of God. Rom.3:4

LET GOD BE TRUE AND EVERY MAN A LIAR.

Eph. 4:4;5 There is one body on Holy Spirit, one hope, one Lord and one faith, one baptism, one God.

Eph. 1:22,23 - The body is the church.

iCor. 1:10 Let there be no division among you. (There is over 2000 different teachings in the world today. Division is sin.

After reading all these scripture, surely we have learned that we cannot take a few verses here and there taking them out of their context, and say this is the way to be saved. This is exactly the reason for the many different beliefs in the world today.

What we teach must harmonize with all other scriptures. if it does not, we are wrong!

Phil.2:i2 Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

(Something to seriously think about. If the majority of preachers today were asked, 'What must I do to be saved,' and they gave the same answer that the Apostle Peter gave in Acts 2:38, they would be fired immediately.)

John 8:32 YOU MUST KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH WILL MAKE YOU FREE.