

FBC POWELL, 3-2-08 AM NOTES  
"BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST'S DEATH"  
ROMANS 6:1-10  
(#5 in Series, "The Journey")

**The Three Most Common Questions About Baptism:**

1. Should water baptism be limited to those who have personally received Jesus Christ through repentance and faith or should infants be baptized also?
2. Is water baptism a part of our salvation or is it separate from salvation?
3. Is the correct mode of baptism immersion in water, being sprinkled with water, or having water poured over the head?

**Romans 10:9 (NASB)** "That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

**Revelation 1:5b (NKJV)** "...to Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood."

"The very word *baptize*, however, signifies to immersion, and it is certain that immersion was the practice of the ancient church."

—John Calvin

"I could wish that the baptized should be totally immersed according to the meaning of the word."

—Martin Luther

"Immersion and not sprinkling was unquestionably the original normal form of baptism."

—Philip Schaff

"Union with Christ is central truth to the whole doctrine of salvation."

—John Murray

"This union alone insures that, as far as we are concerned, He [Jesus] has not unprofitably come with the name Savior."

—John Calvin

**Ephesians 4:5 (NKJV)** "One Lord, one faith, one baptism."

**1 Corinthians 12:13 (NKJV)** "For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit."

I. The Reality of Our Baptism Into His Death (vv. 1-5)

A. The Antagonist (v. 1)

**Romans 5:20 (NKJV)** "Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more."

B. The Answer (v. 2)

C. The Argument (vv. 3-5)

Baptism is “the introduction or placing of a person or thing into a new environment or into union with something else so as to alter its condition or its relationship to its previous environment or condition.”

—Kenneth Wuest

**Galatians 3:27 (NKJV)** “For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.”

II. The Reason for Our Baptism Into His Death (vv.6-7)

A. Because of the Body of Sin (v. 6a)

**Romans 6:6 (HCSB)** “For we know that our self was crucified with Him in order that sin’s dominion over the body may be abolished, so that we may no longer be enslaved to sin.”

B. Because of the Bondage of Sin (vv. 6b-7)

**1 Corinthians 10:13 (NKJV)** “No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*.”

III. The Result of Our Baptism Into His Death (vv. 8-10)