

What Does Baptism Mean?

Matthew 28:19-20

How is the church to make disciples, according to this passage?

What is a good definition of marriage?

What does Baptism mean?

It is a sign and seal of the Covenant of Grace. (Genesis 17:7)

It is a sign, or a badge of membership in the covenant community.

Baptism admits infants into the nursery of faith; and it recognizes believers who have a right to the member benefits.

What is the Covenant of Grace?

Grace, meaning one-sided unconditional grace. Why unconditional?

What are the benefits of the covenant of Grace and of baptism fulfilled?

It is a picture of salvation and a guide that points to where it can be found.

It is the visible Gospel.

Baptism is a sign, not the reality. (Romans 4:3-5, 11-12)

What does God say to us in Baptism?

I save, through faith, I promise.

All the sacraments point to Christ. (Colossians 2:11-12; 1 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Peter 3:21-22; Luke 22:19-22)

It is all about Christ, His perfect life and sacrificial death.

What do we say to God in Baptism?

How do we respond to God's baptism?

What does Baptism mean to those being baptized?

You are Separated from the world

You are included in the covenant community

You are now under sacred obligation to be wholly and only the Lord's.

What does Baptism mean to the parents?

Raise this child in covenant with God.

What does Baptism mean to the covenant community?

We are to make disciples these Children.

What does your baptism mean to you?

Baptism is the visible Gospel.