



# Baptism, Is it Necessary?

1 Corinthians 10:1

Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea;

1 Corinthians 10:2

And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

John 3:5

Yache answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of Alahayim.

John 3:6

That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Hebrews 6:1

Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward Alahayim,

Hebrews 6:2

Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

## **Definition:**

### **G909 (Strong)**

βαπτισμός

baptismos

*bap-tis-mos'*

From G907; *ablution* (ceremonially or Christian): - baptism, washing.



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βαπτίζω

baptizō

bap-tid'-zo

From a derivative of G911; to make whelmed (that is, fully wet); used only (in the New Testament) of ceremonial ablution, especially (technically) of the ordinance of Christian baptism: - baptist, baptize, wash.

#### **Thayer Definition:**

1) to dip repeatedly, to immerse, to submerge (of vessels sunk)

2) to cleanse by dipping or submerging, to wash, to make clean with water, to wash one's self, bathe

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...And in that time shall men be purified by water from their sins. But those who are unwilling to be purified by water shall be condemned.

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...And he commanded a vessel to be brought and baptized them in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Luke 3:2

Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of Alahayim came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness.

Luke 3:3

And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins;

Luke 3:4

As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Luke 3:5

Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth;

Luke 3:6

And all flesh shall see the salvation of Alahayim.



Luke 3:7

Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

Luke 3:8

Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, That Alahayim is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

Luke 3:9

And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: every tree therefore which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

Luke 3:10

And the people asked him, saying, What shall we do then?

Luke 3:11

He answereth and saith unto them, He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.

Luke 3:12

Then came also publicans to be baptized, and said unto him, Master, what shall we do?

Luke 3:13

And he said unto them, Exact no more than that which is appointed you.

Luke 3:14

And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, And what shall we do? And he said unto them, Do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely; and be content with your wages.

Luke 3:15

And as the people were in expectation, and all men mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not;

Luke 3:16

John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire:

Luke 3:17

Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.

Matthew 3:13

Then cometh Yache from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.

Matthew 3:14

But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?



Matthew 3:15

And Yache answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

Hermas parable 9

16[92]:4 The seal then is the water: so they go down into the water dead, and they come up alive. "thus to them also this seal was preached, and they availed themselves of it that they might enter into the kingdom of Alahayim."

16[92]:5 "Wherefore, Sir," say I, "did the forty stones also come up with them from the deep, though they had already received the seal?" "Because," saith he, "these, the apostles and the teachers who preached the name of the Son of Alahayim, after they had fallen asleep in the power and faith of the Son of Alahayim, preached also to them that had fallen asleep before them, and themselves gave unto them the seal of the preaching.

16[92]:6 Therefore they went down with them into the water, and came up again. But these went down alive [and again came up alive]; whereas the others that had fallen asleep before them went down dead and came up alive.

16[92]:7 So by their means they were quickened into life, and came to the full knowledge of the name of the Son of Alahayim. For this cause also they came up with them, and were fitted with them into the building of the tower and were builded with them, without being shaped; for they fell asleep in righteousness and in great purity. Only they had not this seal. Thou hast then the interpretation of these things also." "I have, Sir," say I.

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And then he took me up from that place where I saw these things and behold, a river, and its waters were greatly whiter than milk, and I said to the angel, "What is this?" And he said to me: "This is the Acherusian Lake where is the City of Christ, but not every man is permitted to enter that city; for this is the journey which leads to Alahayim, and if anyone is a fornicator and impious, and is converted and shall repent and do fruits worthy of repentance, at first indeed when he shall have gone out of the body, he is led and adores Alahayim, and thence by command of the Lord he is delivered to the angel Michael and he baptizes him in the Acherusian Lake-thus he leads them into the City of Christ alongside of those who have never sinned." But I wondered and blessed the Lord Alahayim for all the things which I saw.



Matthew 28:18

And Yache came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Matthew 28:19

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Matthew 28:20

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Shepherd of Hermas Mandate 4

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3[31]:2 He saith to me; "Thou hast well heard; for so it is. For he that hath received remission of sins ought no longer to sin, but to dwell in purity.

3[31]:3 But, since thou enquirest all things accurately, I will declare unto thee this also, so as to give no excuse to those who shall hereafter believe or those who have already believed, on the Lord. For they that have already believed, or shall hereafter believe, have not repentance for sins, but have only remission of their former sins.

3[31]:4 To those then that were called before these days the Lord has appointed repentance. For the Lord, being a discernor of hearts and foreknowing all things, perceived the weakness of men and the manifold wiles of the devil,

Hermas Parable 8

6[72]:1....Seest thou," saith he, "how many repented and were saved?" "I see, Sir," say I. "It is," saith he, that thou mayest see the abundant compassion of the Lord, how great and glorious it is, and He hath given (His) Spirit to those that are worthy of repentance."

6[72]:2 "Wherefore then, Sir," say I, "did they not all repent?" "To those, whose heart He saw about to become pure and to serve Him with all the heart, to them He gave repentance; but those whose craftiness and wickedness He saw, who intend to repent in hypocrisy, to them He gave not repentance, lest haply they should again profane His name."



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7 For true repentance after a holy sort destroyeth ignorance, and driveth away the darkness, and enlighteneth the eyes, and giveth knowledge to the soul, and leadeth the mind to salvation.

3. For he that is just and humble is ashamed to do what is unjust, being reproveth not of another, but of his own heart, because the Lord looketh on his inclination. 4 He speaketh not against a holy man, because the fear of Alahayim overcometh hatred. 5 For fearing lest he should offend the Lord, he will not do wrong to any man, even in thought. 6 These things I learnt at last, after I had repented concerning Joseph.

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3[31]:5 the Lord then, being very compassionate, had pity on His handiwork, and appointed this (opportunity of) repentance, and to me was given the authority over this repentance.

3[31]:6 But I say unto you," saith he, "if after this great and holy calling any one, being tempted of the devil, shall commit sin, he hath only one (opportunity of) repentance. But if he sin often and repent, repentance is unprofitable for such a man; for he shall live with difficulty."

2 Clem. 6:1 But the Lord saith, No servant can serve two masters. If we desire to serve both Alahayim and mammon, it is unprofitable for us:

2 Clem. 6:2 For what advantage is it, if a man gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?

2 Clem. 6:3 Now this age and the future are two enemies.



2 Clem. 6:4 The one speaketh of adultery and defilement and avarice and deceit, but the other biddeth farewell to these.

2 Clem. 6:5 We cannot therefore be friends of the two, but must bid farewell to the one and hold companionship with the other.

2 Clem. 6:6 Let us consider that it is better to hate the things which are here, because they are mean and for a short time and perishable, and to love the things which are there, for they are good and imperishable.

2 Clem. 6:7 For, if we do the will of Christ, we shall find rest; but if otherwise, then nothing shall deliver us from eternal punishment, if we should disobey His commandments.

2 Clem. 6:8 And the scripture also saith in Ezekiel, Though Noah and Job and Daniel should rise up, they shall not deliver their children in the captivity.

2 Clem. 6:9 But if even such righteous men as these cannot by their righteous deeds deliver their children, with what confidence shall we, if we keep not our baptism pure and undefiled, enter into the kingdom of Alahayim? Or who shall be our advocate, unless we be found having holy and righteous works?

2 Clem. 7:1 So then, my brethren, let us contend, knowing that the contest is nigh at hand, and that, while many resort to the corruptible contests, yet not all are crowned, but only they that have toiled hard and contended bravely.

2 Clem. 7:2 Let us then contend that we all may be crowned.

Acts 8:26

And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

Acts 8:27

And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,

Acts 8:28

Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.

Acts 8:29

Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

Acts 8:30

And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?

Acts 8:31

And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.





Acts 8:32

The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:

Acts 8:33

In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

Acts 8:34

And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

Acts 8:35

Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Yache.

Acts 8:36

And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?

Acts 8:37

And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Yache Christ is the Son of Alahayim.

Acts 8:38

And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

Acts 8:39

And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

Acts 8:40

But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.

Luk 14:26

If any *man* come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

Luk 14:27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

Luk 14:28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have *sufficient* to finish *it*?





Luk 14:29 Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish *it*, all that behold *it* begin to mock him,

Luk 14:30 Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.

Luk 14:31 Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand?

Luk 14:32 Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace.

Luk 14:33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

Luk 14:34 Salt is good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned?

Luk 14:35 It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; *but* men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Hermas Vision 3

7[15]:3 But the others, which are near the waters and yet cannot roll into the water, wouldest thou know who are they? These are they that heard the word, and would be baptized unto the name of the Lord. Then, when they call to their remembrance the purity of the truth, they change their minds, and go back again after their evil desires."

7[15]:1 "But the other stones which thou sawest cast far away from the tower and falling into the way and rolling out of the way into the regions where there is no way, these are they that have believed, but by reason of their double heart they abandon their true way. Thus thinking that they can find a better way, they go astray and are sore distressed, as they walk about in the regions where there is no way.