

What did God do for you, when you were baptized?

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➤ Intro:

- remember your baptism — **PP Jordan River, Jesus baptized**
- **illus. share my story** of that day to help them think about their's — **but what happened spiritually**
- **note:** not have to understand all this to obey the gospel and become a Christian, but. . . grow - helpful

➤ Acts 2:37-38, 40-41, 47 — forgiveness, saved, added to church

- **vs. 37** question, still asked today
- **vs. 38** baptized, **forgiveness**
- **baptize:** dip, immerse — submergence and emergence — go all the way under the water
- **vs. 40** **saved**
- **vs. 41** **because** received word, obeyed, baptized
- **vs. 41, 47** **added to number of the saved, church**

➤ Acts 22:16 — baptized, sins washed away, call on name of Lord

- **story** of Paul's conversion: Damascus, bright light, Lord spoke to, sent Ananias
- **vs. 16** retelling conversion to Jews, baptized, **wash away sins, call on Lord's name** — the manner of calling on the Lord's name, appealing to God for salvation
- **Rev. 1:5; 7:14** washed in the blood of Jesus
- **illus.: Naaman**
- **2 Ki. 5:1-8**
- **2 Ki. 5:8-9** Elisha called Naaman to come
- **2 Ki. 5:10** messenger, command to wash in Jordan 7 times - dip (vs. 14)
- **2 Ki. 5:11-12** two reasons disobey
- **2 Ki. 5:13-14** servant reasoned with him, obeyed
- **Thought questions: dipped in different river, dipped 6 times vs. 7, a different leopard dipped**

➤ Rom. 6:3-7 — baptized, die, buried, raised, crucify old man, new life, no longer slave to sin, freed from sin

- **all sin, all must die** — **with Christ or in hell**
- **Rom. 3:23; 6:23** all sinned, all must die
- **Rev. 20:14-15** second death, hell — **illus.: Adam & Eve, day eat from tree, surely die (spiritual)**
- **Rom. 6:3-7**
- **vs. 3** **baptized, into (illus. walk into building), Christ** — how get into Christ, baptized
- **baptize:** dip, immerse — submergence and emergence — go all the way under the water
- **vs. 4** **buried, death, raised, new life** — **illus. bury dead person: sprinkle, put under - Jesus**
- **illus.: baptize person**, not let come up - die / faith in baptizer, faith in God
- **vs. 5** **united with Christ** — **relationship**
- **Rom. 7:4** die, joined to Christ (married)
- **illus.: wedding**, ceremony, signing of document, God joins for life according to His law, man not sep.
- **vs. 6** **crucify old self (dead), body sin done away, no longer slave to sin**
- **vs. 7** **died, freed from sin**

- **Col. 2:9-13** — baptized, complete, circumcised, buried, raised, faith, made alive, forgiven
 - vs. 9-10 fullness, complete - Jesus has the authority and power
 - vs. 11 **circumcision of Christ**, cut around, spiritual circumcision, body of sins cut off (Rom. 6, crucified)
 - vs. 12 **buried in baptism, raised with Christ, faith** — our faith, God's working (power)
 - vs. 13 **made alive, forgiven** — not die 2nd death in hell

- **Gal. 3:26 - 4:7** baptized into Christ, adopted, heirs
 - 3:26 sons of God, faith in Christ — how, see below
 - 3:27 baptized into Christ, clothed (put on) Christ
 - 3:28 equality in Christ — all equally saved
 - 3:29 promise — salvation, eternal life in heaven
 - 4:5 adopted — God's child
 - 4:6-7 sons, Abba Father, heir — joint heir with Christ

- **1 Pet. 3:21 Peter's conclusion** — rf. Acts 2:38, his first sermon
 - 1 Pet. 3:20-21 like Noah, "saved through water" (ASV, NKJ), we are saved today when baptized
 - not about getting wet, about obeying God
 - Heb. 5:9 and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him
 - illus.: Noah vs. us: went into ark sinful world, came out holy world / we are sinful before being baptized, come out of water holy — Noah obey, saved
 - prayer: thanks for all that God has done, sending Jesus, Jesus dying on the cross, plan of salvation that's easy to obey, all spiritual blessings in Christ

- **Summary / Inv.**
 - forgiveness, saved, added to church
 - sins washed away, call on name of Lord
 - die, buried, raised, crucify old man, new life, no longer slave to sin, freed from sin
 - complete, circumcised, buried, raised, faith, made alive, forgiven

 - inv.: have opportunity to obey today - saved