

Lesson 44 - October 20, 2010 The Institution of Baptism (Q265-271; pgs.220-229)

TRUE OR FALSE A. Place a T in front of the true statements and an F in front of the false statements.

1. Baptism is one of three Christian sacraments.
 2. Baptism was instituted at the baptism of Jesus at the River Jordan.
 3. Baptize means only to immerse.
 4. In case of emergency another liquid can be used instead of water.
 5. The Old Testament contained various purification rites using water.
 6. In baptism the water has no value apart from its connection with the word.
 7. Jesus' command to baptize was given at his ascension.
 8. Jesus restricted certain people from baptism in his command.
 9. We are to baptize in the name of the triune God.
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1. What's wrong here? As a pastor pours water on a baby's head he says, "I baptize you in the name of the Creator, the Redeemer and the Comforter."
2. Why does Jesus tell us in Matthew 28 to baptize in the name of the triune God, but in Acts 2:38 Peter talks about being baptized in Jesus' name?
3. What happens to babies who die without baptism?
4. Why do parents choose sponsors or godparents for their child when they are baptized?
5. Who may perform a baptism?
6. Why does the pastor typically do the baptizing?

Assignment for October 27, 2010

Review: Questions 265-271 (pgs.220-229)

Memorize: Matthew 28:19

Memorize: pg.224 *What is Baptism?*

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Choose two statements to evaluate and present your answer in class next week:

1. Only a baptism performed by a pastor is valid.
2. A baptism is valid only if there are sponsors.
3. Babies do not have to be baptized because they haven't committed any sin, and besides, they can't believe anyway.
4. Children should be baptized because they need to be born again and to have faith in order to be saved.
5. The more water we use in baptism, the better it is.
6. The custom of sponsors is unnecessary since Jesus did not command it.
7. We shouldn't baptize babies if the parents do not regularly attend a Christian church.
8. Baptism is more important for adults, since they have been sinning for a longer time than a little baby.
9. Since we don't remember our baptism, it can't have much lasting value.
10. Baptism is like a new suit of clothes; every day we awake dressed up in Jesus.
11. Baptism delivers us from the devil, so we don't worry about his temptations anymore.
12. The greatest blessing of baptism is becoming a born-again Christian.