



THE SIGN OF BAPTISM • ACTS 2:37-41

In Acts 2:37–41 we find that when someone believes in Jesus Christ as their Savior, what naturally follows are repentance and baptism. The act of baptism is rich with layers of meaning and significance for the Christian life. Behind each of the aspects we are able to observe with our physical eyes are spiritual realities that have occurred in the heart. From these verses we will show that baptism is *A Sign of Belief* and *A Sign of Repentance*.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read Acts 2:37-41 as a group. What are the two reactions that Peter says his sermon should elicit?

[Answer: repent and be baptized]

2. In his sermon, Matt noted that baptism is a sign of two requirements of salvation. What are the two signs he mentions? [Answer: belief and repentance]

3. How does baptism act as a sign of belief? [Answer: Profession of faith; Pledge of allegiance; Identification with the people of God]

4. How does baptism act as a sign of repentance?

[Answer: A person has called on God for salvation—who you repent to; a person has been cleansed of sin]

5. Reflect on your own baptism as a group. Feel free to share your testimony and story of salvation.