

# Meanings of *baptizo* in the New Testament

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**A sign of confession and repentance.**

[Mark 1:4; Luke 3:3-6; Acts 13:24]

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**Being rescued from death and called to the pledge of a good conscience.**

[1 Peter 3:21]

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**Jesus identifies with humanity at his baptism.**

[John 1:25, 26, 33]

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**Anointing of the Holy Spirit for ministry, mission and fruit.**

[Matthew 3:11; Luke 3:6; Acts 1:5; Acts 11:16]

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**Jesus' commissioning, calling and purpose.**

[Mark 10:38-39; Luke 12:50]

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**Incorporation into a visible group of believers.**

[Matthew 28:19; Acts 2:38; Acts 8; Acts 18:8]

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**A believer's solidarity and identification in Jesus Christ**

[Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:12]

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**A way of showing one's loyalty to Christ.**

[1 Corinthians 1:13]

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**Participation in a corporate experience.**

[1 Corinthians 10:2-5; 1 Peter 3:21; Ephesians 4:4-5]

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**Inclusion, a way to show belonging**

[Galatians 3:26-29]

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**Ceremonial washing.**

[John 3:25; Acts 22:16; Hebrews 6:2]

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**Ceremony of initiating someone into membership in the church.**

[1 Corinthians 1:14]