



BAPTISM APPLICATION PACKAGE

Baptism Package Includes:

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Why is it important to be baptised?

A. What happened when you became a Christian?

The moment you believed on Jesus Christ and received Him as your personal Saviour, several miraculous things happened.

1. God Forgave All your Sins!

Colossians 2:11-14 (NLT)

11 When you came to Christ, you were “circumcised,” but not by a physical procedure. Christ performed a spiritual circumcision—the cutting away of your sinful nature. 12 For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead. 13 You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. 14 He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

2. You Were Declared “Not Guilty”

Romans 3:23-25 (NLT)

23 For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God’s glorious standard. 24 Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. 25 For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past.

3. You were “Born Again” and Began a New Life!

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NLT)

17 This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

4. You Became a Child of God!

1 John 3:1 (NKJV)

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know [b]us, because it did not know Him.

5. You Became a member of God’s Family – the Church!

1 Corinthians 12: 12-13, 27 (NLT)

12 The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ. 13 Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But 27 All of you together are Christ’s body, and each of you is a part of it.

6. You Received the Gift of Eternal Life!

1 John 5:11-12 (NKJV)

11 And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. 12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

7. You Were Set Free From Sin’s Power to Control Your Life!

Romans 6:17-18 (NLT).

17 Thank God! Once you were slaves of sin, but now you wholeheartedly obey this teaching we have given you. 18 Now you are free from your slavery to sin, and you have become slaves to righteous living.

IN SUMMARY...

These are just a few of the many passages which reveal the blessings you received from God when you became a Christian.

As Ephesians 2: 8-9 explains, your salvation is a gift from God you received by saving faith in Jesus Christ:

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.”

B. Why is it Important to Be Baptised in Water?

1. Being Baptised in water is important because it represents what happened to you when you became a Christian.

This is summarised in Romans 6: 3-8 (NLT)

³ Or have you forgotten that when we were joined with Christ Jesus in baptism, we joined him in his death? ⁴ For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives.⁵ Since we have been united with him in his death, we will also be raised to life as he was. ⁶ We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin. ⁷ For when we died with Christ we were set free from the power of sin. ⁸ And since we died with Christ, we know we will also live with him.

→ In other words, when you are lowered into the water, this represents the fact that you died with Christ and were buried with Him. When you are brought up out of the water you identify with Christ in His resurrection, and the beginning of your new life as a Christian.

→ This is also why we baptise by immersion, because it more accurately portrays what happened to us when we became Christian.

→ In addition to representing your identification with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection, baptism is important because it is a public declaration of your faith in Christ to others. As Christians, we have all been called to tell others how they can be forgiven and receive the gift of eternal life.

→ One of the best ways you can do this is by sharing your personal testimony with them, explaining how God forgave you and how you are now committing yourself to be a disciple of Jesus Christ.

→ By Being Baptised in water, you are letting your friends and family know that your old life is over , and your new life in Christ has begun!

2. You are Following the Example of Jesus

¹³ Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. ¹⁴ But John tried to talk him out of it. “I am the one who needs to be baptized by you,” he said, “so why are you coming to me?”¹⁵ But Jesus said, “It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires” So John agreed to baptize him.¹⁶ After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, “This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy.” **Matthew 3 :13-17 (NIV)**

3. You are following the New Testament Pattern.

“³⁸ Peter replied, “Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God”.....⁴¹ Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day—about 3,000 in all.” **Acts 2:38-39, 41 (NIV)**

WATER BAPTISM APPLICATION

It is my desire to be baptized in water both in obedience to God's command, and as a public statement of my decision to follow Jesus.

Full Name _____

Email _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Address _____

Phone- Home _____ Cell _____

Do you attend Causeway Christian Assembly Yes No

How long have you been attending _____

If you attend church elsewhere, please indicate where you attend:

When did you make the decision to accept and follow Jesus?

Describe how and why you made that decision

Why do you desire to be baptized?

Are you willing to meet with a member of the pastoral staff to discuss this application? Yes No

Do you have any questions or wish to make any further comments?



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