

Is Baptism a Thing

No.

The Christian religion routinely takes verses from the Bible out of context resulting in contradiction and confusion. Christianity also believes all the New Testament books apply to them, providing them with doctrines for life and living. This view is contrary to the division and order God provides to us through the Bible.

Fun Fact: Christianity is not a valid expression of biblical truth.

Baptism is just one of many misunderstood doctrines taught contrary to biblical text. (For a complete review of religion, see the articles ["The Devil Did It"](#), ["A Discussion on Protestant-isms"](#), ["The History of Religion"](#), ["Protestantism"](#), ["How to Spot a Covenant Church"](#), ["Reading Church Statements"](#), ["Is Tithing a Thing?"](#), ["Why the Christian Religion Failed"](#), and many other articles on this site PPGpilot.com).

The Christian religion mistakenly focuses on the four Jewish Gospels, the life and ministry of the Gospel Jesus, the obsolete Jewish Hebrew epistles (Hebrews through the Book of the Revelation), all the while ignoring God's message to mankind given to us through the Apostle Paul. This is backwards. It is also the reason religion believes and teaches water baptism as a biblical mandate.

In the four Jewish Gospels, John the Baptist baptized Jesus, so, the church takes baptism as a modern-day command and requirement, as if the act itself had some magical power. (It isn't and it doesn't). After all, religion says, if baptism was good enough for Jesus, then we should follow His example. (We don't).

Fun Fact: The many creators of the numerous variations of Christianity used the Bible as a resource to create their religions. With the best of intentions, these individuals chose pet verses from the Bible at random, out of context, and assigned meaning to them that does not align with the Bible.

The four Jewish Gospels have nothing to do with the Gentiles, the Body of Christ, or the religion called Christian. Instead, they are a continuation of the Old Testament Jewish writings, fulfilling the words of the prophets concerning God's promised Savior.

The four Jewish Gospels bring closure to all that came before in the Old Testament. They are the final act of the story of man from Adam to Christ. As the four Gospels close, so to the Jews as they are blinded and scattered across the Globe. God goes to the Gentiles with a new message, sent via the ministry of the Apostle Paul.

The four Jewish Gospels are a record of God's interaction with the Jews as He interacted with the Jewish fathers throughout the Old Testament. This time, in the Gospels, God came in the personage of Jesus, to the Jews under the law, to fulfill the law and the prophets. In Jesus, God satisfied His

own righteous judgment of death on mankind, He himself paying that price and dying for our sin nature.

The four Jewish Gospels do not speak at all to the Gentiles. Instead, the ascended Christ sent the Apostle Paul to the Gentiles with the ministry of reconciliation and the word of reconciliation to accomplish that task.

Anyone reading the four Jewish Gospels as if written to the Gentile Christian Church will receive a warped, out of focus view of the Bible, and follow a path God did not intend for the Gentile world.

Simply because the word "baptism" appears somewhere in the Bible does not mean it is for everyone throughout all time. It is descriptive of an event that happened in the past much like the animal sacrificial system that foretold Christ's future sacrifice. Both baptism and the sacrificial system are obsolete and no longer valid today. Water baptism was a model of better things to come that gave way to the Apostle Paul's baptism of the Spirit. John the Baptist understood:

Matthew 3

:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and [with] fire:

As the four Jewish Gospels end, the story of Jesus and His life and ministry comes to a close. From there, a momentous change occurs that alters the world, leaving the unique Gospel period behind:

- God hardens the Jews, blinding them to the truth
- God scatters the Jews to the four corners of the world
- The final 2000 years of mankind begins - the Age of Grace. (The Jews previously having 2000 years under the law before Christ)
- Christ calls Paul, giving to him the ministry of reconciliation to go to the Gentiles, and the word of reconciliation to preach to the Gentiles.
- God adopts the Gentiles who approach Him by faith, and extends His Grace to them unto salvation.

Paul's message and his Gospel to the Gentiles were something new and never heard before on earth.

- Baptism, infant or adult, sprinkling or dunking, was not part of Paul's ministry to the Gentiles because it was not part of God's message to mankind through the Apostle.
- Water baptism no longer applied. The indwelling Spirit of God was the greater miracle that replaced the signs and wonders, tongues, healings, and water baptism of the Jewish Gospel period. The Spirit also replaced church buildings and temples and tabernacles, and all the other places people believe God abides. Those who have the Spirit of God are themselves

the temple of God and religious buildings are unnecessary. They exist today as a hand-me-down from Jewish and pagan temple worship.

- Paul's ministry had nothing to do with the four Jewish Gospels, the Gospel Jesus, the Gospel message Jesus gave to His disciples, the obsolete Jewish Hebrew epistles, or Peter's Jewish Gospel message of the Jewish Christian Church of Acts 2.
- Paul's ministry had nothing to do with the Jesus of the four Jewish Gospels. Instead, Paul's focus was on the ascended Christ and who and what we are **because of** Christ's sacrificial death on our behalf.

I Corinthians

1:17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

If you search the Bible for information on baptism, you will find numerous references to verses from the non-applicable four Jewish Gospels and the obsolete Jewish Hebrew epistles (Hebrews through the Book of the Revelation). These writings were not sent to the Gentiles, but only speak to the Jews under the law. Jesus spoke of baptism for the Jews. Peter's Gospel was for the Jews, containing the requirement of baptism for the remission of sin. Neither Jesus nor Peter addressed the Gentiles. We receive our doctrines and understanding from God through the Apostle Paul and his epistles, and Paul received his ministry and information directly from Christ to give to us.

For more information on the different Gospels see the article "[*This Gospel, That Gospel*](#)", "[*100% of Religion Does Not Apply*](#)" and "[*Who's Your Jesus*](#)" and many other works on this site PPGpilot.com.

Paul spoke of the spiritual baptism:

I Corinthians 12:13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether [we be] Jews or Gentiles, whether [we be] bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

What's the Harm

What's the big deal? Who cares if people are baptized: sprinkled, poured on, dunked, water ballooned, or shot with a holy squirt gun? What difference could it possibly make? It can't hurt, right?

It Can.

Satan's ongoing goal since our time on earth began 6000 years ago, is to hurt humanity; to lead as many people astray in any and every way possible; to derail us from finding God and eternity in Heaven with God. Satan uses every trick in the book, taking every advantage to mislead and ruin people: pomp, rituals, beads, statues, graven images / idols, ceremony, emotion, misdirection, service, works, the ministry, missions, celibacy, sever treatment of the body, lies, chants, religious costumes, the monastery, and so much more: anything to make people believe and feel like they are

doing something religious and thereby pleasing God. At the same time, through all the religious stuff, Satan is perverting the truth of the Bible and preventing people from finding their way to God.

If Satan can fool people with a lie, that the phony baptism they received as an infant is good enough for eternal salvation, that the dunk tank at church is all you need to satisfy God's righteousness, then people will errantly believe they have fulfilled some biblical mandate that makes them complete in the eyes of God when it does not. They will never understand God's righteousness or Christ's sacrifice, or see their need and requirement to turn to God from the heart and receive God's Spirit. Instead, they will receive and believe a lie. Satan uses the misunderstanding and misdirection of baptism as a tool to accomplish his goal of robbing people of their eternity with God.

Don't be one of them.

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Fun Fact: Religion of every type is the single greatest satanic deception ever perpetrated upon the world, from idolatry, Confucianism, Christianity, and the rest.

The Body of Christ is not a religion, it is a relationship with God, and the indwelling Spirit.

For in-depth information on the topics covered in the article, see also "[It is Finished](#)", "[All Scripture?](#)" "[The Simple Bible](#)", "[Missionary Madness](#)" "[Why People Cannot understand](#)" "[What is a Cult](#)" "[The Four Jewish Gospels](#)" "[The Jewish Hebrew Epistles](#)" and others on this site for more information

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