

“WHAT’S THE BIG DEAL?”

Embarrassed – Part 3
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- The Christian “rite of passage”: _____.

“Then Jesus came to them and said, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.’” Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)

1. Is it more appropriate to _____ or those old enough to make a _____ on their own?

“Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.” Acts 2:41 (NIV)

2. Does _____ itself have the power to _____ people?

“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.”
Ephesians 2:8,9 (NIV)

- Baptism is an _____ demonstration of an _____ reality.

3. What if a person _____ to be _____ ?

“We know that we have come to know him if we obey his commands. The man who says, ‘I know him,’ but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him.” 1 John 2:3,4 (NIV)

1 John 5:3; Luke 23:39-43

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”
Romans 10:13 (NIV)

4. How much _____ is involved in _____ ?

- It takes _____ of water.

“John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim, because there was much water there,…” John 3:23 (NASB)

- It takes a _____ the water.

“As they went along the road they came to some water; and the eunuch said, ‘Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?’ And Philip said, ‘If you believe with all your heart, you may.’ And he answered and said, ‘I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.’ And he ordered the chariot to stop; and they both went down into the water, Philip as well as the eunuch; and he baptized him.” Acts 8:36-38 (NASB)

- It takes a _____ the water.

“Don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”
Romans 6:3,4 (NIV)

- It takes a _____ the water.

“At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him…” Mark 1:9,10 (NIV)