The Mystery of Baptism

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Noah & the Flood (Genesis 7-9) (1 Peter 3:18-22)

Every inclination of the heart is evil, bent on violence and destruction

Moses, the Plagues & the Exodus (Exodus 7-14)

God hears the cry of his people and sees their suffering

Joshua & the Jordan River (Joshua 3-4)

God's people cross the river on dry ground into the Promised Land

John the Baptist & the Jordan River

(Matthew 3:1-6)

John cues Israel on what God is about to do in and through the Messiah

Jesus & the Jordan River (Matthew 3:13-17)

Jesus fully identifies with Israel's story and fulfills Israel's vocation

Luke 12:49–50 (NIV) 49 "I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! 50 But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! Mark 10:35-45

Matthew 28:16–20 (NIV) 16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 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, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Acts 2:14-42

Lessons on Baptism

From Death to Life

Romans 6:3–4 (NIV) 3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 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.

Colossians 2:8-15; 3:5-16

From Isolation to Family

Galatians 3:26–29 (NIV) 26 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, 27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Ephesians 2:11-22; 3:14-15

From Observation to Participation

<u>**1** Peter 2:9–10 (NIV)</u> 9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Matthew 25:31-46

From Selfishness to Servanthood

<u>Galatians 2:20 (NIV)</u> 20 I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Romans 6:6-14; Galatians 5:13-25