BAPTISM AND THE GOSPEL

THE COMMISSION

"For by GRACE are ye SAVED through FAITH; and that not of yourselves: it is the GIFT of God: NOT OF WORKS, lest any man should boast."

- Ephesians 2:8-9

"Go ye therefore, and TEACH ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to OBSERVE ALL THINGS whatsoever I have COMMANDED you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

- Matthew 28:19-20

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and PREACH THE GOSPEL to every creature. He that BELIEVETH and is BAPTIZED shall be SAVED; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

- Mark 16:15-16

"But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?"

- James 2:20

"And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: And that REPENTANCE and REMISSION OF SINS should be PREACHED in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem."

- Luke 24:46-47

"Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to GIVE REPENTANCE to Israel, and FORGIVENESS OF SINS."

Acts 5:31

"Bring forth therefore FRUITS meet for REPENTANCE:"

Matthew 3:8

GOSPEL AND GRACE

"For I am not ashamed of the GOSPEL OF CHRIST: for it is the POWER OF GOD unto SALVATION to every one that BELIEVETH; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

- Romans 1:16

"For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye HEARD before in the word of the truth of THE GOSPEL; Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth FRUIT, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the GRACE OF GOD in truth:"

- Colossians 1:5-6

"And he said unto me, MY GRACE is sufficient for thee: for MY STRENGTH is <u>made perfect in weakness</u>. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

- 2 Corinthians 12:9

"By whom we have received GRACE and apostleship, for OBEDIENCE to the faith among all nations, for his name:"

- Romans 1:5

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall SAVE his people FROM THEIR SINS."

- Matthew 1:21

"What shall we say then? Shall we CONTINUE IN SIN, that GRACE may abound? GOD FORBID. How shall we, that are DEAD TO SIN, live any longer therein?"

- Romans 6:1-2

JESUS OUR EXAMPLE

"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to WALK, EVEN AS HE WALKED."

- 1 John 2:6

"For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, LEAVING US AN EXAMPLE, that ye should FOLLOW HIS STEPS: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:"

- 1 Peter 2:21-22

CRUCIFIXION AND DEATH OF SELF

"And they that are Christ's have CRUCIFIED THE FLESH with the affections and lusts."

- Galatians 5:24

"Knowing this, that our OLD MAN is CRUCIFIED WITH HIM, that the BODY OF SIN might be DESTROYED, that henceforth we should NOT SERVE SIN."

Romans 6:6

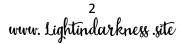
"I am CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but CHRIST LIVETH IN ME: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the FAITH of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

- Galatians 2:20

NEW CREATION

"That ye PUT OFF concerning the former conversation THE OLD MAN, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And BE RENEWED in the spirit of your MIND; And that ye PUT ON the NEW MAN, which after God is CREATED in RIGHTEOUSNESS and TRUE HOLINESS."

- Ephesians 4:22-24



"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a NEW CREATURE: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

- 2 Corinthians 5:17

RESURECTION AND NEW LIFE

"For he that is DEAD is FREED FROM SIN. Now if we be DEAD WITH CHRIST, we BELIEVE that we shall also LIVE WITH HIM: Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be DEAD indeed UNTO SIN, but ALIVE UNTO GOD through Jesus Christ our Lord."

- Romans 6:7-11

"If ye then be RISEN WITH CHRIST, seek those things which are ABOVE, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For YE ARE DEAD, and your LIFE is HID WITH CHRIST IN GOD."

- Colossians 3:1-3

"That I may know him, and the POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto HIS DEATH; If by any means I might attain unto the RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD."

- Philippians 3:10-11

"The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may KNOW what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, And what is the EXCEEDING GREATNESS of HIS POWER to us-ward who BELIEVE, according to the WORKING of HIS MIGHTY POWER, Which he wrought in Christ, when he RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,"

- Ephesians 1:18-20

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

"According as his DIVINE POWER hath given unto us all things that pertain unto LIFE AND GODLINESS, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:"

- 2 Peter 1:3

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, Who are KEPT by the POWER OF GOD through FAITH unto SALVATION ready to be revealed in the last time."

- 1 Peter 1:3-5

"For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."

- Romans 1:17

"Now unto him that is able to KEEP YOU FROM FALLING, and to present you FAULTLESS before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,"

- Jude 24

BORN AGAIN

"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, Verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be BORN AGAIN, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

- John 3:3

BAPTISM A PICTURE/SYMBOL

"For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power: In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in PUTTING OFF THE BODY OF THE SINS OF THE FLESH by the circumcision of Christ: BURIED WITH HIM IN BAPTISM, wherein also YE ARE RISEN WITH HIM through the FAITH of the operation of God, who hath RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD. And YOU, being DEAD IN YOUR SINS and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he QUICKENED TOGETHER WITH HIM, having forgiven you all trespasses;"

- Colossians 2:9-13

"For as many of you as have been BAPTIZED into Christ have PUT ON CHRIST."

- Galatians 3:27

"Know ye not, that so many of us as were BAPTIZED into Jesus Christ were BAPTIZED into HIS DEATH? Therefore we are BURIED WITH HIM BY BAPTISM INTO DEATH: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should WALK IN NEWNESS OF LIFE."

- Romans 6:3, 4