

## Things that baptism won't do

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### Introduction

1. 1 Peter 3:21
2. There are some things that baptism will do and there are some things it won't do
3. Some might think that we emphasize baptism too much, but that might be because some want to make it of no effect.
4. Let us notice some things it won't do and some things it will do.

### II Discussion

1. It will not take the place of faith Hebrews 11:6, but faith is necessary to be saved
2. It will not take the place of repentance Matthew 21:28-29
  - a. This is a change of heart, emotions, will and intellect
  - b. Luke 13:3
  - c. But repentance is necessary
3. It won't take temptation out of the way.
  - a. Jesus was tempted. Matthew 3 Baptized, Matthew 4 tempted
  - b. Temptation has always been here and will always be. 1 Corinthians 10:12-13
4. Baptism will not make one sinless. Peter Galatians 2:11
  - a. It will not keep one from falling from grace. Galatians 5:4
  - b. It will not take the place of faithfulness Revelation 2:10
5. Baptism only will not save. Mark 16:15-16
6. Baptism will not take the place of the church 1 Corinthians 12:13
7. Here are the purposes of baptism
  - a. Into the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Matthew 28:19-20
  - b. Shall be saved Mark 16:15-16
  - c. For the remission of sins Acts 2:38
  - d. Walk in newness of life Romans 6:4
  - e. Into His death Romans 6:4
  - f. Into one body 1 Corinthians 12:13
  - g. Into Christ Galatians 3:26-27
  - h. It is to be saved. 1 Peter 3:21
  - i. It is an answer of a good conscience 1 Peter 3:21

### III Conclusion

1. If we want the benefits of salvation we must be willing to do what God requires Philippians 2:12
2. Part of doing what God says is being baptized for the right reason. Acts 19: some were baptized for the wrong reason
3. Where are you?
4. Why not be baptized now?

Sources: Sermon Skeleton by J.C. Choate; Sermon and Charts by Hooker; 80 Gospel Meeting charts and sermon outlines by Thomas L. Campbell