

The Orthodox Belief Concerning The Baptism



1. Salvation

☛ *“He who believes and is baptized will be saved”* Mark 16:16

☛ *“...but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit”*

Titus 3:5

☛ *“...There is also an antitype which now saves us –*

baptism” 1Pet.3:21



2. The Second Birth

✿ “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God” John 3:3

✿ “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God ” John 3:5



3. Washing / Remission of sins

✿ “And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins” Acts 22:16

✿ “Then Peter said to them, Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins” Acts 2:38



4. Burial and resurrection with Christ

☛ “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death..... For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection” Romans 6: 3 - 5

☛ “... buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God”

Colossians 2:12



5. Putting on Christ

✦ “For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on
Christ” Galatians 3:27



The necessity of Baptism since the establishment of the Church

☛ *Three Thousand person in the day of Pentecost. Acts 2*

☛ *The Ethiopian Eunuch. Acts 8*

☛ *Cornelius. Acts 10*

☛ *The Philippians' Jailer. Acts 16*

☛ *Lydia the seller of purple. Acts 16*

☛ *St. Paul. Acts 22*



Baptism is a work of priesthood

✦ *“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit” Matthew 28:19*



Baptism is by immersion in water

✦ “When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water” Matthew 3:16

✦ “... And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. Now when they came up out of the water ...” Acts 8:38 – 39

✦ “... buried with Him in baptism” Colossians 2:12



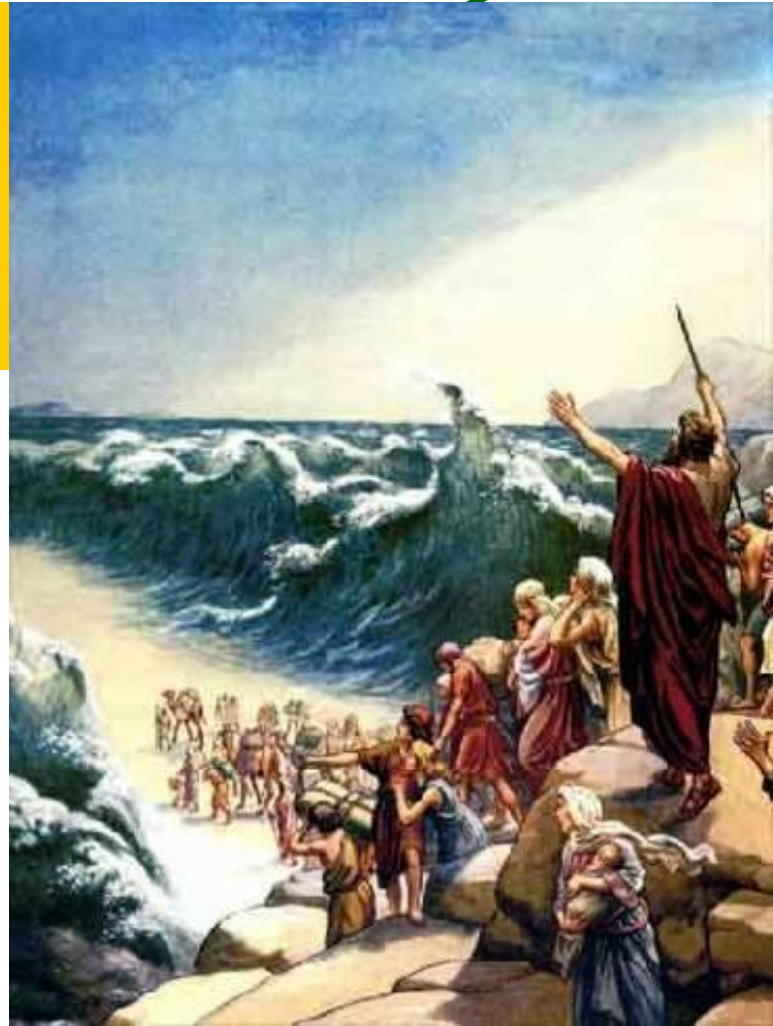
Baptism of the Children

- ✦ *Circumcision in the 8th day.*
- ✦ *Crossing of the Red Sea.*
- ✦ *Saving of the children of Israel through the blood of the lamb of the Passover*
- ✦ *Baptism of the multitude in the day of Pentecost and other families e.g. Philippians' jailer, Lydia the seller of Purple.*
- ✦ *"Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven" Matthew 19:14*



Baptized Into Moses

1 Corinthians 10:1-2



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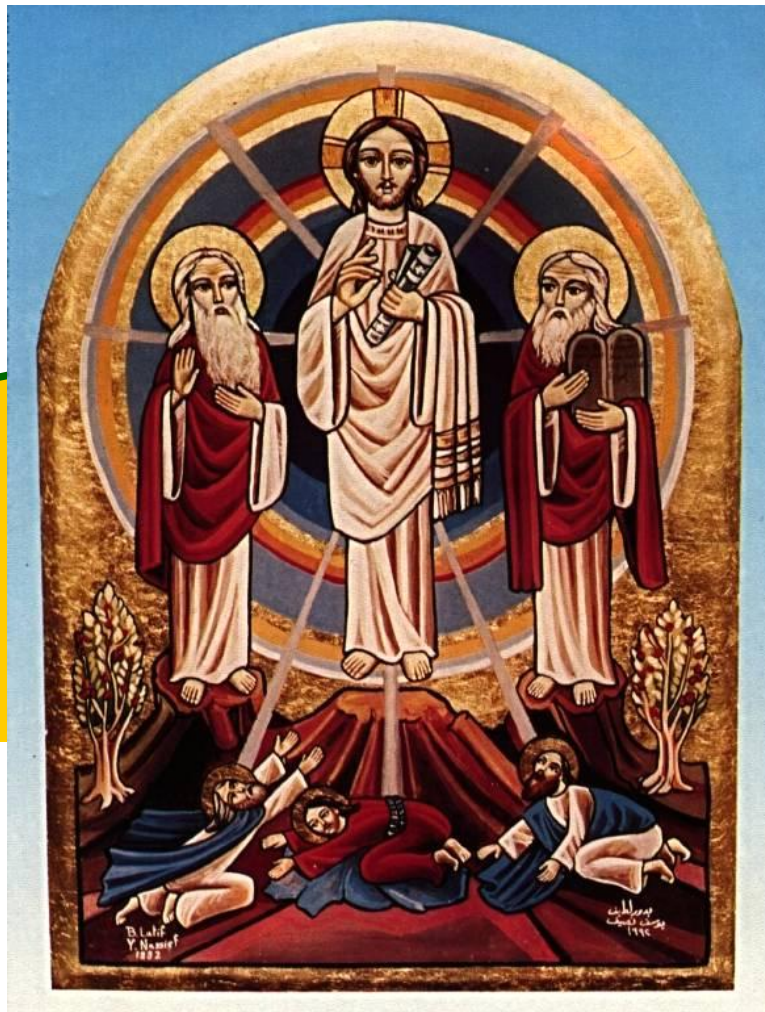
- ✦ Their Baptism Was In Water
- ✦ Their Baptism Was A Burial
- ✦ Their Baptism Was By Faith
- ✦ Their Baptism Was Unto Salvation
- ✦ Their Baptism Was Not A Guarantee of Perseverance



Memort Verse



✦ *“Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God” (John 3:5)*



Glory be to God
unto the age of all ages. Amen.