

## **I. What Is A Sacrament?**

- A. Theme: A sacrament is a special symbol given by God to His people that, when received in faith, serves as a sign and seal of His promises to us, functions as a means of grace to strengthen us, and through which we testify of our faith in Him and His promises.
- B. Text: Romans 4:11; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 6:3-4
- C. Reading: Galatians 3:26-29
- D. Response: Communion
- E. Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

## **II. Why Should I Be Baptized?**

- A. Theme: Christ commands His followers to be baptized in water as the sacramental sign and seal of our covenantal union with Him.
- B. Text: Matthew 28:19-20
- C. Reading: Acts 2:36-41
- D. Response: Communion
- E. Benediction: Deuteronomy 1:11

## **III. The Benefits of Baptism**

- A. Theme: Water baptism is the sign and seal of our union with Christ, a means of grace to provide strength in our struggle against sin, and the medium through which we testify of our faith in Christ and membership in the church.
- B. Text: Romans 6:1-7
- C. Reading: Colossians 2:9-15
- D. Response: Closing prayer
- E. Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

## **IV. The Limits of Water Baptism**

- A. Theme: Water baptism does not remove original sin, or produce regeneration or justification, but it is the sign that these things have been already done by God and received by faith alone.
- B. Text: John 3:3-7; Romans 4:9-12
- C. Reading: Romans 4:16-25
- D. Response: Closing prayer or song
- E. Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

## **V. Who Should Be Baptized?**

- A. Theme: In view of the biblical teaching on the New Covenant and water baptism, only those who have personally professed faith in Christ should be water baptized.
- B. Text: Acts 2:38-39; Acts 18:8; 1 Corinthians 7:14
- C. Reading: Hebrews 8:6-13
- D. Response: I Believe
- E. Benediction: Psalm 115:14-15

## **VI. Baptism in the Name of the Lord**

- A. Theme: Water baptism is done under the authority of the Trinity in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- B. Text: Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 2:38
- C. Reading: Acts 10:34-48
- D. Response: Communion
- E. Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

## **VII. Baptism - Immersed Into Christ**

- A. Theme: Because of the meaning of 'baptism' and especially the symbolism of being placed in, buried, raised, and clothed with Christ, full immersion is the best mode for water baptism.
- B. Text: Galatians 3:26-27
- C. Reading: Mark 1:1-8
- D. Response: ????
- E. Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

### **Water Baptism Teaching Series**

Teaching Text  
Scripture Reading  
Date  
Congregational Response  
Benediction