

## The Sacraments – Holy Baptism with water – Lesson 21

- Certain things are indispensable (absolutely necessary) for eternal life.
  - The Holy Baptism with water
  - The Holy Sealing
  - The Holy Communion
  - These are called sacraments (John 5:7)

### The Holy Baptism with water

- **What does Jesus Christ mean by, “rebirth of water and Spirit” (John 3:1-7)**
  - ✚ Holy Baptism and holy Sealing
  - ✚ The Apostles were authorized to baptize (Matthew 28:19)
  - ✚ Baptism in the name of Jesus Christ is more than John the Baptist (Acts 19:3-5)
  - ✚ This is part of rebirth
  - ✚ Through baptism, God opens the way to complete redemption
- **What is inherited sin?**
  - ✚ Since Adam and Eve, every human being is encumbered (burdened) with sin.
  - ✚ Sin separates from God.
  - ✚ Through Holy Baptism with water the soul is freed from it.
- **What is meant by having a good conscience?**
  - ✚ Through Holy Baptism, God entered into a covenant (agreement) with us.
  - ✚ God is gracious to us and we follow the Lord.

### Should children also be baptized?

- ✚ Jesus said, “Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.” (Mark 10:14)
- ✚ Children also need the grace of the Lord.
  - Confirmation – Taking responsibility for childhood in God.
  - Adoption – Baptism in another Christian church is made valid before God.

### Emergency baptism

- **Who is can perform the holy Baptism with water?**
  - ✚ The Apostles and the Priestly ministries.
    - ❖ If an unbaptized child or adults is near death and a priestly office bearer is not reachable, any faithful New Apostolic Christian can perform the emergency baptism in the commission of the Apostle, but without absolution and celebration of Holy Communion.
- **How is the Holy Baptism with water performed?**
  1. Water is consecrated with the words, “I consecrate this water in the name of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and dedicate it for the Holy act of baptism. Amen.”
  2. The forehead of the one to be baptized is then moistened three times using the consecrated water and making the sign of the cross.
  3. The words are spoken, “I baptize you in the name of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen.”

***I believe that the Holy Baptism with water is the first step to a renewal of a human being in the Holy Spirit, and that the person baptised is adopted into the fellowship of those who believe in Jesus Christ and profess Him as their Lord.***

### ***6<sup>th</sup> Article of Faith***

**I ALSO WANT TO....never break the covenant of baptism!**