Baptism Preparation Worksheet

Baptism is a special, public, outward act done to picture what God has done inside of us when we are saved. ***IT DOES NOT SAVE US.*** *It allows us to tell others that we believe in Jesus and what he has done for us in his death. It lets us show others our commitment to follow Jesus. Four main things that baptism visibly demonstrates include: 1) Repentance, 2) Burial with Christ (union with Christ in his death), 3) Resurrection with Christ (union with Christ in his resurrection), and 4) Adoption into the Body of Christ.*

Instructions

As part of the baptism process at PCC, we ask for you to complete the following preparation worksheet so that you can discuss it with a mentor (a pastor or ministry leader) prior to baptism. That meeting can be scheduled through the PCC Office (office@pencomchap.com; (757) 867.8530).

If you are a parent inquiring for your child, please notify the office at least one month in advance in order to permit the mentor sufficient time to walk with your child through the meaning and significance of this important event in their lives. Baptisms are conducted publicly by PCC pastors in the Fall and Winter during Sunday morning worship services and in the Summer during Sunday evening picnics at Fort Monroe.

Please answer each question in 2-3 sentences.

1. **Read Ephesians 2:8-9. How does it say we are saved? What does that mean to you?**

2. **Repentance is an action where we confess our sins and turn away from them and towards God. Read Mark 1:4-5. How would you describe the purpose of baptism in these verses?**

3. **Read Acts 22:16. What was Paul commanded to do here?**

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4. **Read Romans 6:3. Why do we need to be buried with Christ in his death?**

5. **Read Colossians 2:12. According to the verse, what two things happen to Christians? What do you think this means in your own words?**

6. **Read 1 Corinthians 12:13. Into what else does it say we are baptized? What do you think that means?**

7. **Why do you want to get baptized? What does baptism mean to you? Please include a favorite Bible verse that has to do with baptism and salvation.**

8. **When and how did you come to faith in Jesus?**

9. **What changes would you like to see God bring about in your life now and in the future?**