

**THE  
"GOOD NEWS"  
AND  
"SEVEN ONES"**

BODY, SPIRIT, HOPE  
LORD, FAITH  
BAPTISM, GOD

I CORINTHIANS 15:1-4 EPHESIANS 4:4-6

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## The Seven Ones

**Eph 4:4** *There is one body, and one Spirit,*  
even as ye are called in **one hope** of your  
calling;

**Eph 4:5** *One Lord, one faith, one baptism,*

**Eph 4:6** *One God and Father of all, who is*  
above all, and through all, and in you all.

### LESSON 3

#### Obedying the Gospel and The ONE SPIRIT

How does a human obey the gospel?

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How does a human obey the DEATH,  
BURIAL, AND RESURRECTION of Jesus  
Christ?

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Since we know what will happen to a  
person who does not obey the death,  
burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ,  
we should be very interested in knowing  
how to do so.

**Rom 6:1** What shall we say then? Shall we  
continue in sin, that grace may abound?

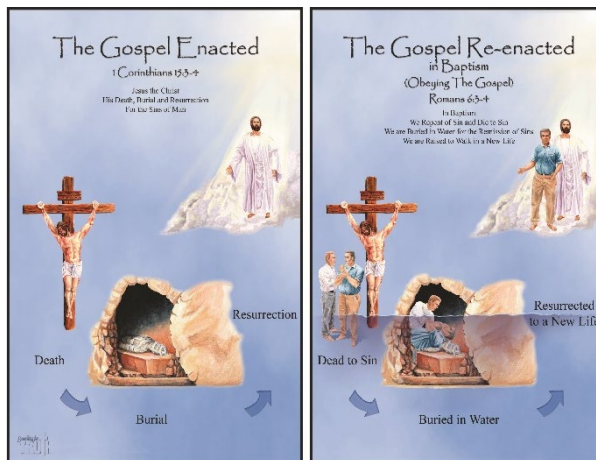
**Rom 6:2** God forbid. How shall we, that are  
dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Rom 6:3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were 3. baptized into Jesus Christ were 4. baptized into his death?

Rom 6:4 Therefore we are 5. buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was 6. raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should 7. walk in newness of life.

Rom 6:5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:

Rom 6:6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.



Rom 6:17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have 8. obeyed from the heart that form of 9. doctrine which was delivered you.

Rom 6:18 Being then made free from sin, ye 10. became the servants of righteousness.

We obey the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ by being buried in the waters of baptism.

This is how we obey the doctrine delivered.

This is where God sees the blood of Jesus Christ in us.

Exo 12:12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I *am* the LORD.

Exo 12:13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye *are*: and 11. when I see the blood, 12. I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy *you*, when I smite the land of Egypt.

**Act 20:28** Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed 13. the church of God, which he hath 14. purchased with his own blood.

**Rom 6:3** Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were 15. baptized into his death? (Connecting to His death, connects us to His blood.)

**Rom 6:4** Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Baptism is not a work of man but a work of God.

**Col 2:10** And ye are complete in him (**Jesus**), which is the head of all principality and power:

**Col 2:11** In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in 16. putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

**Col 2:12** 17. Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of 18. the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

The putting off of our sins in the waters of baptism, is by the faith of the operation of God.

Our sins are not being put off by our own merit.

Baptism is the place and time that we go from

OUT OF CHRIST to INTO CHRIST.

Rom 6:3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were 19. baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

Gal 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by 20. faith in Christ Jesus.

Gal 3:27 For as many of you as have been 21. baptized into Christ have 22. put on Christ.

Gal 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gal 3:29 And if ye *be* Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Baptism is the place in repentance that we go from

OUT OF CHRIST to INTO CHRIST.

**Act 2:38** Then Peter said unto them,  
23. Repent, and be baptized every one  
of you in the name of Jesus Christ for  
the remission of sins, and ye shall  
receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

100% bad -----80%/20%----50%/50% -----20%/80%-----100% good

We cannot, by our own merit,  
repent enough  
(go from doing too much bad to doing enough good)  
to go from  
OUT OF CHRIST to INTO CHRIST.

### **The gospel preached.**

**Act 2:21** And it shall come to pass, *that*  
whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord  
shall be saved.

**Act 2:22** Ye men of Israel, hear these words;  
24. Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God  
among you by miracles and wonders and signs,  
which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye  
yourselves also know:

**Act 2:23** Him, being delivered by the  
determinate counsel and foreknowledge of  
God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have  
25. crucified and slain:

**Act 2:24** Whom 26. God hath raised up, having  
loosed the pains of death:  
because it was not possible that he should be  
holden of it.

Jesus was crucified, buried, and resurrected  
and we are guilty.

Were they saved at the point of belief and  
sorrow?

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**Act 2:36** Therefore let all the house of Israel  
know assuredly, that **God hath made that  
same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both  
Lord and Christ.**

**Act 2:37** Now when they heard *this*, 28. they  
were pricked in their heart, and said unto  
Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men  
*and* brethren, 29. what shall we do?

They were not saved.

There was something that they needed to do!

**Jas 2:19** Thou believest that there is one  
God; thou doest well: 30. the devils also 31.  
believe, and tremble.

They asked the question,

“What shall we do?”

Let us look at Peter’s response to their  
question.



Act 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, 32. Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive 33. the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Act 2:39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, *even* as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Act 2:40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

Act 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added *unto them* about three thousand souls.

Act 2:42 And 34. they continued steadfastly 35. in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

At what point were Saul's sins washed away?

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Act 9:1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

Act 9:2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

Act 9:3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

Act 9:4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, **Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?**

Act 9:5 And he said, 37. Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, **I am Jesus whom thou persecutest:** *it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.*

Act 9:6 And 38. he trembling and astonished said, Lord, 39. what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord *said* unto him, **Arise, and go into the city, and** 40. it shall be told thee what thou must do.

Act 9:7 And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

Act 9:8 And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought *him* into Damascus.

Act 9:9 And **he was** 41. three days without sight, and 42. neither did eat nor drink.

Act 9:10 And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, **Ananias.** And he said, Behold, I *am here,* Lord.

Act 9:11 And the Lord *said* unto him, **Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one**

called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, 43. he prayeth,

\*Act 9:17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, *even* Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

Act 9:18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and 44. was baptized.

At what point were Saul's sins washed away?

1. Was it **when he** saw Jesus and **believed**, trembling?
2. Was it **when he** in sorrow, **prayed** and fasted for three day?
3. **Or** was it **when he was baptized**?

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We are not given the answer in Acts 9.

Act 22:12 And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt *there,*

Act 22:13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

**Act 22:14** And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.

**Act 22:15** For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.

**Act 22:16** And now **why tarriest thou? arise, and 46. be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.**

Saul, in belief and sorry, prayed and fasted for three days, while waiting to be told what to do, to have his sins washed away.

Why did he have sins to wash away, if one is saved at the point of belief or faith only, or by saying a sinner's prayer?

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Saul had been praying and fasting for three days, but was still told to be baptized, to wash away his sin.

Peter's response to the question, "men and brethren what shall we do," in Acts 2:37, is to obey the gospel, which is to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins  
Acts 2:38.

What was the gift of the Holy Spirit that they received at baptism? Acts 2:38

**Act 2:38** Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

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Was the gift of the Holy Spirit miraculous signs and wonders?

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At baptism we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, The ONE SPIRIT.

The gift was the Holy Spirit, and the blessings of the Spirit, starting with salvation.

It was not miraculous signs.

**1Co 6:19** What? know ye not that 50. [your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you](#), which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

**1Co 6:20** For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

2Co 1:21 Now he which **stablisheth us** with you **in Christ**, and hath **anointed us**, *is* God;  
2Co 1:22 Who hath also **sealed us**, and **given** 51. **the earnest of the Spirit** in our hearts.  
Rom 8:14 For as many as are **led by the Spirit of God**, they are the **sons of God**.  
Rom 8:15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the 52. **Spirit of adoption**, whereby **we cry, Abba, Father**.  
Rom 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

Rom 8:26 Likewise **the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities**: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but 53. **the Spirit itself** 54. **maketh intercession for us** with **groanings which cannot be uttered**.  
Rom 8:27 And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what *is* the mind of the Spirit, **because he maketh intercession for the saints** 55. **according to the will of God**.  
Rom 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.

The age of miracles has ceased. See:

Acts 1,2 and 10

(baptismal measure)

Acts 6,7, and 8

(the laying on of the apostle's hands)

I Corinthians 12:1-11

(the Spirit's choice)

I Corinthians 13:1-1-10; James 1:25;

Ephesians 4:15

(the closing of the Biblical cannon – truth in love)

The gospel is now being spread  
though the preaching of the truth in  
love.

Men can hear, believe, repent,  
confess, be baptized, and walk in  
the Spirit and in the light.

Eph 4:15 But 56. speaking the truth in love,  
may grow up into him in all things, which is  
the head, *even* Christ:

Eph 4:16 From whom the whole body fitly  
joined together and compacted by that which  
every joint supplieth, according to the  
effectual working in the measure of every  
part, maketh increase of the body unto the  
edifying of itself in love.

Rom 8:1 *There is* therefore now no  
condemnation to them which are in Christ  
Jesus, who 57. walk not after the flesh, but  
58. after the Spirit.

1Jn 1:7 But if we 59. walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

1Jn 1:9 If we 60. confess our sins, he is faithful and just to 61. forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

At baptism we go from  
OUT OF CHRIST to INTO CHRIST.

Once we are IN CHRIST,  
we must walk IN THE SPIRIT  
and IN THE LIGHT as He is in the light.

Our sins of the past are forgiven at baptism  
and our sins of the present and future are  
forgiven as we walk in the Spirit and the  
light and as we confess our sins.

Therefore, there is no condemnation to  
those who are in Christ Jesus who walk in  
the Spirit and in the light.



