

## **I. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (1 PETER 3:21)**

### A. Peter connects Noah and the flood to Christian baptism (**1 Peter 3:20-21**)

1. The Bible uses typology as a way to communicate theological truths, which indicates unity and coherence of scripture (**Romans 5:14; 1 Corinthians 5:7; John 2:19-22**)
2. The typological parallels are: the people, being saved, and water (**1 Peter 3:20-21; Matthew 24:36-39**)

### B. Does baptism save us? (**1 Peter 3:21**)

1. Baptism is an appeal, or pledge, to live faithfully according to God's will (**1 Peter 3:21; 1 Peter 3:16; 2:19**)
2. Baptism does not remove moral filth (**1 Peter 3:21; 1 Peter 2:1; Isaiah 4:4**)
3. Salvation through water is parallel to salvation through the resurrection of Jesus (**1 Peter 3:20-21; 1 Peter 1:3; Romans 4:23-25; 1 Corinthians 15:17; 1 Peter 1:20-21**)

### C. Baptism signifies life through death (**Romans 6:1-4**)

## **II. THE VICTORY AND VINDICATION OF CHRIST (1 PETER 3:22)**

### A. The resurrection is Christ's victory over death and sin (**1 Corinthians 15:54-57**)

### B. Christ is vindicated by his resurrection (**Acts 5:30-31; Philippians 2:8-11**)

### C. Our baptism is a reminder to us that in Christ we have no reason to fear because we are united to Christ in his victory (**Colossians 2:11-15**)

## SERMON REFLECTIONS

1. Is Peter teaching that salvation is through baptism? What textual clues point us to the answer?

2. What does baptism signify? Why is baptism considered the initial sign of Christian discipleship?

3. How can our baptism help us in the midst of suffering on account of our faith in Christ?

## ATTRIBUTES OF GOD I HEARD *(CIRCLE THE ONES MENTIONED)*

Good	Wise	Wrathful	Merciful
Just	Jealous	Faithful	Perfect
Holy	Gracious	Patient	Love
Other:			

## KEY WORDS *(WRITE WHAT THESE WORDS MEAN)*

Typology –

Exalt –

Vindication –

## NOTES OR DRAWINGS ABOUT WHAT I HEARD