

Baptism: God's Promise to Us  
Acts 2:37-41

Review:

1. Baptism is a sign that we are part of God's covenant family, that we are one with Christ
2. Baptism is a sign that our sins are washed away and that we are filled with the Holy Spirit
3. God is the One Who initiates the process of salvation, giving us new life and enabling us to respond to His grace with repentance and faith
4. We baptize believers and their children because we trust in the promises of God

Reflect:

1. Think about your own baptism and profession of faith. How did your parents help you grow in your faith? How consistently have you lived out your own profession of faith in Christ?

Go further: Read Ezekiel 36:16-32

1. What does verse 17 say the people of Israel did to their land?
2. What two things does verse 18 say the people of Israel did that made God angry with them?
3. How does verse 19 say God punished His people for their sins? How did God judge His people?
4. How does verse 20 say God's people continued to behave when they were in exile?
5. Why does verse 22 say God will help His people?
6. What does verse 23 say God wants the other nations of the world to know? How does God expect them to get this message?
7. Where does God promise to bring His people in verse 24?
8. How does God say that His people will become clean in verse 25?
9. What does God promise to give His people in verse 26?
10. What does God promise to give His people in verse 27? What will God cause His people to do because of this gift?
11. What does verse 28 say will be the result of all these gifts?
12. What does God promise to give His people in verses 29 and 30?
13. How does God say that His people will react to His blessings in verse 31?

Summary and Application:

1. In what ways have you been unfaithful to your own profession of faith in God?
2. When you read about the way God saves His undeserving people, what is your reaction?
3. When you think about your own sin in the light of God's grace, what is your reaction?
4. What changes do you need to make to live more consistently into your baptism?