

## Daily Nourishment

As believers, it is always a healthy and normal practice to feed on God's Word every day. Below are some verses for each day of the coming week, which we encourage you to read prayerfully in order to nourish your inner man:

*Lord's Day:* Mark 16:16; Matt. 28:19

*Monday:* Rom. 6:3-4

*Tuesday:* John 12:31

*Wednesday:* 1 John 5:19; 1 Cor. 12:13

*Thursday:* James 4:4

*Friday:* Acts 2:37-38,41

*Saturday:* Acts 8:37-38

# *Baptism*

## Memory Verses

*He who believes and is baptized shall be saved, but he who does not believe shall be condemned.*

*Mark 16:16*

*Adulteresses, do you not know that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever determines to be a friend of the world is constituted an enemy of God.*

*James 4:4*

*Special Young People's Meeting  
Franklin Park, NJ  
May 27, 2000*

## BAPTISM

*Scripture reading:* Mark 16:16; Matt. 28:19; Rom. 6:3-4;  
1 Cor. 12:13; Col. 2:12; 1 Pet. 3:20-21; 1 Cor. 10:1-2;  
Acts 2:37-38,41; 8:12,37-38

### I. The importance of baptism:

- A. Believing and being baptized is the complete step of salvation — Mark 16:16:
  - 1. Believing saves us from eternal condemnation, and we receive the Savior not only for forgiveness of sins but also for regeneration — Mark 16:16b.
  - 2. Baptism is a testimony, an affirmation of our believing, which saves us from the world — Mark 16:16a; 1 Pet. 3:21 and note 21<sup>3</sup>,
- B. Baptism saves us from the world:
  - 1. The world is condemned in the eyes of God -John 12:31,
  - 2. The world lies in the evil one - 1 John 5:19.
  - 3. The world crucified the Lord Jesus - Acts 2:23; cf John 15:18.
  - 4. The world is at enmity with God - James 4:4.
- C. Baptism puts us into:
  - 1. The Triune God - Matt. 28:19 and notes 19<sup>3,4</sup>.
  - 2. Christ — Rom. 6:3.
  - 3. The death of Christ — Rom. 6:3-4.
  - 4. The Body of Christ — 1 Cor. 12:13.
- D. Baptism is as necessary as repenting and believing - Acts 2:37-38, 41.

### II. The meaning of baptism:

- A. Being put into Christ - Rom. 6:3 and note 3<sup>1</sup>.
- B. Being identified with Christ's death and resurrection -Rom. 6:3-4 and note 3<sup>3</sup>; Col. 2:12.
- C. Being a testimony – 1 Pet. 3:21.

### III. The types of baptism:

- A. Noah's ark-1Pet. 3:20-21.
- B. The Children of Israel's crossing of the Red Sea-1 Cor. 10:1-2.

- IV. The examples of baptism — all being by immersion - Matt. 3:16; Acts 8:38-39.
- V. The partakers of baptism (who should be baptized) - anyone who believes - Mark 16:16; Acts 8:12, 8:37-39; 18:8.
- VI. The time for baptism — as soon as one believes - Acts 2:41; 8:12, 37-38; 16:33; 22:16.

#### Hymn 1

(Hymns, #936)

In death's waters I am buried,  
For with Christ my Savior I have died;  
Now the world cannot pursue me, For  
its power here is nullified.  
I with Christ have risen too,  
Out of death with Him I walk and live;  
Now the Spirit life supplies  
And His strength exhaustless unto me doth give.

#### Hymn 2

(Hymns, #938)

- 1 Already dead! And buried too!  
With the old man I am through!  
Already dead! And buried too! With  
the old man I am through!
- 2 No longer I! No longer I!  
Christ in me I'll testify!  
No longer I! No longer I!  
Christ in me I'll testify!