

Baptism: Clothed with Christ

Galatians 3:27

²⁶ For through faith you are all sons of God in Christ Jesus. ²⁷ For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

(Galatians 3:26-28)

Paul's Use of Baptism

1. A synonym for conversion/salvation
 - Christians are those "who have been baptized into Christ"
 - in the Bible, baptism is always the decisive, outward way of responding to the gospel

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2. A symbol of union with Christ
 - we have been united to Christ in His death, burial and resurrection (cf. Rom. 6; Col.2)
 - we have "put on Christ" as a garment covering us, symbolizing our new spiritual existence and identity

Baptism tells us who we are!

It conveys our fundamental identity and unity as those who are in Christ