

Notes for Romans 6:1-4

Hebrew & Greek pronunciation spelled phonetically

Baptism is a God-given sign and command of the gospel, visibly portraying cleansing from sin, union with Christ and new life in Him. It does not save by the water itself, but it marks a believer's public identification with Jesus and His church, sealing God's promise to all who trust Christ. Additionally, it is a clear sign of obedience to a command from Jesus Christ and was a normal practice within the early Christian church.

1 Timothy 1:15 - *The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.*

1 Corinthians 15:9 - *For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.*

Ephesians 3:8 - *To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,*

Matthew 12:31-32 - *Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. 32 And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.*

Mark 3:28-29 - *"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, 29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"*

Luke 12:10 - *And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but the one who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven.*

1 Peter 3:21 - *Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,*

Acts 10:47-48 - *"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" 48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.*

1 Peter 2:16 - *Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.*

Titus 2:11-12 - *For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, 12 training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,*

Galatians 2:20 - *I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me*

Colossians 3:3-5 - *For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. 5 Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.*

Acts 2:37-41 - *Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" 38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself." 40 And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." 41 So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.*

Acts 8:36-39 - *And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" 38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. 39 And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.*

Galatians 3:27 - *For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.*

Colossians 2:11-12 - *In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised Him from the dead.*

Ephesians 2:4-6 - *But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved – 6 and raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,*

Matthew 28:18-20 - *And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

2 Corinthians 5:17 - *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."*

Romans 7:15 & 19 - *For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate... 19, For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing.*

Romans 7:25 - *Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.*

Obedience to God is not always easy and that is why He gives us the Holy Spirit to empower us in our walk. But some things are very easy...like inviting someone to come with you to GCC!
Give the Holy Spirit a chance and you may find that at minimum, we have a new church family member and, God willing, perhaps even a new Believer on Christ!

