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**Biblical Baptism**

Introduction:

I. Baptism obeys two biblical patterns

A. Baptism follows the command of the Lord (Matthew 28:19)

B. Baptism follows the example of the church (Act 2:41)

II. Baptism maintains two biblical practices

A. Baptism is by immersion (Acts 8:36–38)

B. Baptism is for believers (Acts 16:31–34)

III. Baptism portrays two biblical principles

A. Baptism pictures your death with Christ (Romans 6:1–3)

B. Baptism pictures your life with Christ (Romans 6:4–5)