

DOCTRINE OF BAPTISMS Hebrews 6:1-3

Introduction

- I. Understanding Baptism
 - A. Baptize: 907 baptidzo, bap-tid'-zo; to make whelmed (i.e. fully wet); ceremonial ablution, the ordinance of Christian baptism
 - 911 bapto, bap'-to; to whelm, i.e. cover wholly with a fluid; in a qualified or specific sense, i.e. (lit.) to moisten (a part of one's person), or by implication to stain (as with a dye):- dip
 - B. Webster's Dictionary: Overwhelm; to cover over completely; to submerge.

Other Greek words for baptize:

C. Baptism: 908D. Baptism: 909E. Baptist: 910

- II. Baptism always deals with the following:
 - 1. Identification
 - 2. Transition (pivotal)
 - 3. Change or Newness
- III. Baptisms to be discussed in this study
 - 1. Baptism into Repentance
 - 2. Baptism into Water
 - 3. Baptism into the Holy Ghost
 - 4. Baptism into Fire
 - 5. Baptism into His Body
 - 6. Baptism into Suffering
 - 7. Baptism into the Cloud

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- John's Baptism was typical in :
 - A. Identification
 - Followers had to leave Jerusalem (the center of their religious world) and go out to the Jordan River.
 - 2. This was identification with a new "religious" order, that is not Judaism but Jesus, the Messiah.
 - B. Transition
 - 1. John's message was pivotal.
 - 2. John started to turn the people toward Jesus
 - C. Change (Newness)
 - 1. John demanded proof of "real" change (fruit).
 - 2. When the people submitted to John, they actually submitted to God.
- II. John's Message
 - A. Repentance: Lk. 3:3
 - B. For Remission: Lk. 3:3
 - C. Produced Change: Mt. 3:8-10
- III. Jesus "went out to be baptized"
 - A. To fulfill all righteousness: Mt. 3:13-17
 - 1. Jesus had to come the same way all men did.
 - 2. Remember 1. Identification
 - 2. Transition
 - 3. Change
 - B. This is He who came: 1 John 5:4-13 (Amplified Bible)

DOCTRINE OF BAPTISMS

Heb. 6:1-2

I. BAPTISM INTO REPENTANCE: Mt. 3:11

- A. John's Baptism: Acts 19:4
- B. Baptism with water unto repentance: Mt. 3:11
- C. Fruits meet for repentance: Mt. 3:8
 - 1. Repentance proceeds fruit
 - 2. Repentance from dead works: Heb. 6;1

II. BAPTISM INTO WATER: Rom. 6 - 7 - 8

- A. Death: baptized into His death
 - 1. Old man: Eph. 4:22-25
 - 2. Old man: Col. 3:5-10
- B. Burial: buried with Him
 - 1. Planted together in likeness: Rom. 6;5
- C. Resurrection: Jn 11:25-26
 - 1. Newness of life: Rom. 6:4; Rom. 7:6
 - 2. New creature: ICor. 5:17; Gal. 6:14-15

III. BAPTISM INTO THE HOLY GHOST: Acts 1:8; 2:4 (Mt. 3:11)

- A. Submerged into power: Acts 1:8
 - 1. Power to "BE"
- B. Endued to do Endued to undo: Lk. 24:49

IV. BAPTISM INTO FIRE: Mt. 3:11

- A. Work made manifest: ICor. 3:13
- B. Revealed by fire: ICor. 3:13
- C. House of honour House of dishonour: IITim. 2:19-21
 - 1. Purged holiness: IITim. 2:21

V. BAPTISM INTO HIS BODY: ICor. 12:13

- A. Joints and Marrow: Heb. 4:12
 - 1. Joined together: Eph. 4:16
 - 2. Compacted together: Eph. 4:16
 - 3. Every joint supplieth: Eph. 4:16
- B. Nourishment ministered: Col. 2:19
 - 1. Knit together: Col. 2:19
 - 2. Bone to His bone: Ez. 37

VI. BAPTISM INTO SUFFERING: Mt. 20:22-23

- A. Bread: His body
 - 1. Baptism to be baptized with
 - a. fellowship of His suffering: Phil. 3:10
 - 2. Baptized into brokenness: ICor. 11:24
- B. Wine: His blood
 - 1. Cup to drink of
 - a. soul an offering for sin: Isa. 53:10-12
 - b. travail of His soul: Isa. 53:10-12
 - c. poured out His soul unto death: Isa. 53:10-12

VII. BAPTISM INTO THE CLOUD: ICor. 10:1-2

- A. Epichoregeo of the Spirit: Gal. 3:5
 - 1. Adding to His Word: Heb. 2:4
 - 2. Confirming the Word: Mk. 16:20
- B. Cloud is moving: Num. 9:15-23
 - 1. My presence shall go with thee: Ex. 33:14
 - 2. I will give you REST: Ex. 33:14
 - a. enter into His rest: Heb. 4:6
 - b. My struggle ends where His Spirit begins.

BAPTISM INTO REPENTANCE

Acts 19:1-6

I. DEFINITION OF "REPENT"

A. Godly Sorrow -- IICor. 7:10

Repent: 3341 - metanoia (met-an'-oy-ah) reversal of decision; to change one's mind

- 1. **Metanoeo**: 3340 (met-an-o-eh'-o) to think differently or afterwards, to reconsider
 - a. meta: 3326 (met-ah') denoting accompaniment, amid
 - b. **noieo**: 3539 (noy-eh'-o) to exercise the mind (observe); to comprehend, heed; to perceive; understand
- B. Sorrow of the World -- IICor. 7:10

Repented: 3338 - metamellomai (met-am-el'-lom-ahee) to care afterwards; to regret; (because of consequences)

- 1. Meta: 3326 (met-ah') denoting accompaniment, amid
- 2. Melo: 3199 (mel'-o) to be of interest; to concern; it matters for oneself (Mt. 27:3,4 -- Judas Iscariot)

II. JOHN'S BAPTISM -- Acts 19:1-6

A. Preparer of the way: Isa. 40:3

1. Turn the hearts: Lk. 1:16-17

2. Turn from and unto: Acts 26:18

. B. The plowman: Jer. 4:3-4

1. Preparation of the heart: Prov. 16:1

III. REPENTANCE TO SALVATION -- IICor. 7:10-11

A. The New Birth: Jn. 3:1-6

B. Born again: Jn. 3:1-6

1. See the kingdom: vs. 3

2. Enter the kingdom: vs. 5 (ICor. 2:14)

BAPTISM INTO WATER

Rom. 6:1-13

I. FIRST IN THE NATURAL - H2O

- A. Mt. 28:18-20
- B. Jn 4:1-2
- C. Acts 2:38,41
 - 1. 8:12, 13, 16, 36, 38
 - 2. 9:18
 - 3. 10:47, 48

II. BAPTIZED INTO HIS DEATH

- A. Crucified with Him
 - 1. Crucified with Christ: Gal. 2:20-21
 - 2. Old man is crucified: Eph. 4:22-24
 - a. Old man and deeds: Col. 3:8-10
- B. The "Old Adamic Nature" ???
 - 1. Dualistic nature ??? Rom. 7
 - 2. What was Adam's fall ???

II. BURIED WITH HIM -- Rom. 6:4

- A. Planted in the likeness of His death.
 - 1. Substitution and Identification
 - 2. Saved by water: IPet. 3:18-22
 - a. born of water: Jn 3
 - b. saved, not born again: IPet. 3:20
- B. Baptism into the sea: ICor. 10:1-2
 - Saved and delivered from judgment.

III. RAISED WITH HIM -- Rom. 6

- A. Newness of life: Rom. 6:4
 - 1. After the Spirit
 - 2. Newness of Spirit: Rom. 7:6
- B. New creature in Christ: IICor. 5:17
 - 1. New man in Christ
- C. Partakers of His divine nature: IIPet. 1:4

BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST -- Gal. 3:27

A. You have put on Christ

BAPTISM INTO THE HOLY GHOST

Mt. 3:10-12

I. THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT -- Joel 2:28-29

- A. Pour out the Spirit
 - 1. Sons and daughters shall prophecy
 - 2. Old men shall dream dreams
 - 3. Young men shall see visions
- B. The Comforter: Jn. 14:15-18, 26: 15:26-27; 16:7

II. TARRY FOR THE PROMISE -- Lk. 24:49

- A. Tarry until endued with power
- B. The gift of the Spirit: Acts 2:38-39
 - 1. To them that obey Him: Acts 5:32
 - 2. Laid hands to receive: Acts 8:5-17
 - 3. Gift of the Holy Ghost: Acts 10:44-46
- C. Received since ye believed: Acts 19:1-6

III. THE PROMISE OF POWER

- A. Ye shall receive power: Acts 1:8
 - 1. Endued to do: Lk. 24:49
 - 2. Endued to undo: Lk. 24:49
- B. Ye shall "BE" witnesses: Acts 1:8
 - 1. Not power just "TO" witness...
 - 2. But power to "BE" witnesses
- C. The kingdom in power: Mk. 9:1
 - Demonstration of the Spirit and power: ICor. 2:4
 - 2. Added to His Word: Heb. 2:4
 - 3. Confirming the Word: Mk. 16:19-20

FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES BAPTISM INTO FIRE

I. WHAT IS BAPTISM INTO FIRE?

- A. Mt. 3:11-12 To cleanse
 - 1. Purge floor
 - 2. Gather garner
 - 3. Burn chaff
- B. Mal. 3:1-6
 - 1. Refiner's fire fuller's soap
 - 2. Refiner and purifier of silver
 - 3. You don't refine wood, hay, and stubble
 - 4. Refiner, purifier, purger to be bright strain extract
- C. ICor. 3:1-3, 12-17 Corporate
- D. ICor. 6:19-20 Individual
 - 1. Body temple
- E. IITim. 2:19-22 Do you: name the name
 - 1. If you name the name:
- F. Heb. 12:27 29

II. HOW DO I GET BAPTIZED INTO FIRE?

- A. Take heed how you build ICor. 3:10
- B. Flee fornication ICor. 6:18 Gen. 39:12
- C. Glorify God ICor. 6:14
- D. Be not unequally yoked IlCor. 6:14
- E. Come out! IICor. 6:17
- F. Be separate! IICor. 6:17
- G. Touch not! IICor. 6:17
- H. Cleanse yourself IICor. 7:1
- Perfect holiness IICor. 7:1
- J. Walk in the Spirit Gal. 5:16
- K. Depart from iniquity IITim. 2:19
- L. Purge himself IITim. 2:21
- M. Flee lusts IITim. 2:22
- N. Follow righteousness, etc. w/them IITim. 2:22
- O. Avoid questions IITim. 2:23
- P. Lay aside receive the engrafted word Jam. 1:21
- Q. Obey the truth IPet. 1:22
- R Be holy! IPet. 1:14-17 (v. 16)
- S. Pass in fear! IPet. 1:17

BAPTISM INTO FIRE

Mt. 3:10-12

I. BURN UP THE CHAFF -- Mt. 3:12

Dross - Impurities - Debri

- A. Revealed by fire: ICor. 3:10-15
- B. Fire shall try the works
 - 1. Wood hay stubble
- C. Suffer loss, but saved

II. PURGE HIS FLOOR -- Mt. 3:12

- A. Fan is in His hand: Mt. 3:12
 - Remove the chaff
- B. Man to purge himself: IITim. 2:19-21
- C. Vessels unto honour
 - 1. Sanctified (judgment in the house)
 - 2. Meet for the Master's use
 - 3. Prepared unto every good work

III. HOLINESS - SANCTIFICATION - SEPARATION

- A. Be ye separate: IlCor. 6:14-18
 - 1. Come out from among them
 - 2. Touch not the unclean
- B. Cup of the Lord cup of devils: ICor. 10:16-21
 - 1. Partakers of the Lord's table: vs. 21
 - 2. Partakers of the devil's table
- C. Sanctify the cleanse it: Eph. 5:26-27
 - 1. Washing of the water by the Word
 - 2. Not having spot or wrinkle
 - 3. Holy and without blemish

THE TABLE OF SHEWBREAD: COMMUNION

ICor. 11:23-32

"Shew the Lord's Death" BAPTISM INTO HIS DEATH

I. BAPTISM INTO HIS BODY

- A. This is my "body"
 - 1. Table of shewbread: the Bread
- B. He "brake" it: vs. 24
 - 1. Broken bread brokenness
 - 2. Breaking the outer crust to bring forth the inner: Mt. 21:44
- C. Edifying of the "body" distributed
 - 1. Not the building up of a personal ministry
 - 2. Not the building up of a personal gift
 - 3. Not the building up of a personal office

II. BAPTISM INTO HIS SUFFERING

- A. This is My "blood"
 - 1. Table of shewbread: The Wine
 - 2. The New Covenant: ICor. 11:25
- B. Discerning the Lord's body: vs. 29
 - 1. For this cause many are:
 - a. weak
 - b. sickly
 - c. die premature
- C. Life of the body: "in the blood" Leviticus 16
 - 1. Soul sorrowful unto death: Mt. 26;38
 - 2. Soul an offering for sin: Isa. 53:10
 - 3. Travail of His soul: Isa. 53:11
 - 4. Poured out His soul: Isa. 53:12
 - a. give His "psuche": Mt. 20:28

III. THE REAL REASON WHY

- A. Baptism to dip into
 - By the very definition, it is the effect of the baptism that we are to remain in!
- B. | Jn 1:3 Fellowship with the Father
 - 1. IICor. 6:18 Be a Father to us
 - 2. IPet. 1:17 Call on the Father
- C. Lk 12:32 Father's good pleasure to give kingdom
 - 1. Gal. 5:21 If you do works of flesh, will not inherit
 - 2. ICor. 6:10

THE TABLE OF SHEWBREAD: COMMUNION

ICor. 11:23-32

"Shew the Lord's Death" ... so there will be LIFE

l. Mt. 11:28, 29 "LEARN OF ME"

A. Yoke (2218): to join, espec. by a "yoke"; a coupling; servitude (law or obligation); the beam of balance (as connecting the scales) F......H.G.

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- 1. Yoke = will of the Father Mt. 16:24, 25 "Deny himself"

 **NOTE: Before one can do the will of the Father they must know what his will is (Knowledge of the Word). Then they must be in Christ or yoked with him. Before the oxen could enter into the yoke with another oxen to perform their given tasks it had to be broken. Jesus has already been broken thru death, and we too must be broken or partake of his death that we may come into the yoke of Christ (the Father's will). When this happens we then labour together with (the word) Jesus and we will find rest unto our souls. His yoke is then easy, and his burdens become light. In this type of rest there is much activity and much fruit is produced for the kingdom.
- 2. Mt. 16:24 "Said Jesus unto his disciples" Take notice that these words were spoken to his disciples and not the multitudes.
 - a. vs. 25 "If any man will come after me"
 - b. Will: choose, to desire, forward.
 If any man of the saved will, (choose, desires to, wants to move forward)
 he will meet these two conditions and follow me.
 - c. vs. 25 "Let him deny himself" Denying self means disregarding one's privileges. To deny oneself denotes a setting aside of the self in seeking the mind of God, so that in all things we may not follow our own mind nor be self - centered.
 - d. vs. 25 "And take up his cross, and follow me" This is even deeper than denying self. For denying - self is only the disregarding of self whereas taking up the cross means to accept whatever God has decided for the person and to be willing to supper according to the will of God.
- 3. Gal. 2:20 "I am crucified with Christ"
 - a. Crucified (4957): impale
 Root word (4862): with or together; association or companionship.
 Root word (4717): to impale on the cross; to estinguish (subdue) passion or selfishness from (4716): exposure to death, self-denial.

- b. Jn. 12:24-26 (Amp.) "Deny yourself"
- c. Mt. 16;24, 25 (Amp.)
 - 1) "Deny himself"
 - 2) "Take up HIS cross"
- 4. Baptism into suffering Mt. 20:20-23 (Amp.); Jn. 21:18
 - a. Fellowship of his suffering Phil. 2:10
 Suffering (3804): something undergone; hardship or pain; a emotion or influence.
 - b. Conformed to his death
 - 1) I lay down my "LIFE" Jn. 10:11, 15, 17
 - 2) Give his "LIFE" a ransom Mt. 20:28
 - 3) Obedient unto death Phil. 2:5-9
 - 4) Learned obedience through suffering Heb. 5:8
 - a) Suffered (3958): to experience a sensation or impression (usually painful).

The words suffer, suffered, suffering, sufferings are found sixteen times in IPeter.

- b) Suffer (3958): IPet. 2:20; 3:14, 17; 4:16, 19
- c) Suffered: IPet. 2:21, 23; 3:18; 4:1; 5:10
- d) Suffering: IPet. 2:19
- e) Sufferings (3804, 3806, 3958): IPet, 1:11; 4:13; 5:1
- f) Suffering births fruit...obedience... IF you greatly rejoice: IPet. 1:6,7

BROKEN BREAD: BROKENNESS

ICor. 11:23-32

I. THE TWO-FOLD WORK OF GOD (upon man):

- A. <u>Brokenness</u>: the breaking of the outer (soul) man for the release of the inner man (spirit) -- Ps. 51:17; 34:18; Isa. 57:15; 66:2; Mk. 14:3
 - 1. The issues of life: Prov. 4:23
 - 2. Fall upon the Rock: Mt. 21:44
- B. <u>Division</u>: the separation of spirit and soul. The distinction of the spirit life and self life. Before division, what affects (influences) the outer man affects the inner man.
 - 1. It is the Spirit that quickens.
 - 2. Walk in the Spirit

II. TWO DISTINCT CONDITIONS OF THOSE WHO POSSESS THE LIFE OF THE LORD

- A. Those in whom the Zoe is confined, restricted, imprisoned and unable to come forth.
- B. Those in whom the Zoe has forged a way through and the life flow forth.

III. TREASURE IN EARTHEN VESSELS

- A. The excellency of the power: IICor. 4:7
- B. Alabaster box must be broken: Mk. 14:3
 The treasure is not the earthen vessel. The treasure is in the earthen vessel. Man still values the soulish abilities, talents and cleverness above the Spirit's Life and power.
- C. True brokenness brings "THE YIELDED VESSEL": Rom. 6:12,13

IV. BEFORE AND AFTER BROKENNESS

A. Before:

- One's spirit is inert and unable to function. If he is clever, his mind governs his work. If he is emotional, then feelings control his actions. The soul man is energized by its own strengths and cleverness while the spirit man remains subdued and unstirred.
- 2. The spirit may come forth but is influenced by the soulish strengths and thoughts. The result is mixed and confusing. The spirit man is energized and stirred but the soul man is reluctant, resistant and non-cooperative. The outer does not obey the dictates of the inner.

B. After:

- 1. One's spirit flows forth with ease and surety. He is confident and bold. He is strong and forceful in delivery. This is the end of outward activity with inward inertness.
- 2. PRESENCE is the #1 TRADEMARK. His Spirit breaks through the Holy Place into the outer court and God's presence, power, life and anointing begins to change and affect people's lives. Only the Spirit gives life. Experiencing the presence of God is contingent upon the breaking of the outer man.

BROKENNESS

ICor. 11:24,25

Ps. 51:17 - "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: A broken and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise."

Though Kine David, had sinned, he sought and obtained the forgiveness of his sins. "Jehovah is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart, and saveth such as are of a contrite spirit." (Ps. 34:18)

Yet forgiveness was not the end of all God's working. David now prayed to God for a deeper work of grace:

Ps. 51:6,7,10 - "Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts; and in the hidden part thou will make me to know wisdom. Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me."

David wanted that which is a blessed possibility for every believer - a clean heart! A clean heart is not the end but only the beginning. The experience of sanctification can be lost, and one can fall from grace (Gal. 5:4). Thus, after the initial cleansing of the heart, there is a holy life to be lived (IPet. 1:15, 16). As we have been pointing out, man first needs illumination regarding the fact of the Cross, then a faith experience of the Cross, but this in turn must be followed by the SPIRIT OF THE CROSS - the LAMB LIKE SPIRIT OF THE CROSS. The initial knowledge of the Cross and the experience of the Cross must be followed by the spirit of the Cross, for the Cross is not only the gateway to our entire sanctification but also the principle of our daily life. We need to know this application of the Cross, which is best explained by one word - BROKENNESS.

Few (Mt. 22:14) seem to know that even repentance is not an act performed but an attitude to be maintained in the believer's life - an attitude called BROKENNESS. This lack is why many come forward again and again; yet remained unchanged.

The fact is that though we believers be ever so holy, our experience of sanctification may be lost if we are unbroken. God has told us to humble ourselves, and the only humility accepted is that of BROKENNESS. The only life consistent with the experience we profess is a life of brokenness where the old retaliation is gone forever, and where we live in utter humility, in absolute DEPENDENCE on Christ and on His blessed Holy Spirit. This is BROKENNESS. There is an ancient Hindu proverb which says, "We can walk on the dust forever, and it will never answer back." The very words humility and human come from the Latin word humus, meaning the black earth on which we walk.

Humility is often identified with penitence and as a consequence, there appears no way of humility but by keeping the soul occupied with sin. But humility is something else and something more. In the teachings of Jesus and also in the Epistles, humility is mentioned with no reference to sin; in fact, humility is the very essence not of sinfulness but of holiness. Humility is the displacement of self and the enthronement of Christ. Humility means Christ is all and self is nothing. It is not merely a succession of humble acts but the expression of a BROKEN SPIRIT. Thus a spirit of humility, a spirit of brokenness means no retaliation, no defense. For instance, notice the nature or spirit that Christ claimed in Ps. 22:6, "I am a worm, and no man." Thus when reviled, he reviled not again. Though beaten, mocked, and spat upon, yet "he opened not his mouth" (Isa. 53:7). For a worm NEVER raises it's head and hisses at anyone a snake always does. A worm, though like a snake in its appearance, is entirely different in nature. Do what you please to a worm, it never fights back.

The Apostle Paul speaks of humanity as fragile earthenware. He says we believers are but earthen vessels with a treasure within (IICor. 4:7-12). But why is Christ, the treasure, put in such a frail vessel? In order to reveal that the power of a believer's life is of God and not of self. Every breaking of the vessel serves God's purpose to reveal the treasure within. BREAKING CAUSES GAIN, NOT LOSS. "Pressed on every side,

...perplexed,...pursued,...smitten down" - all this is designed and planned not for our hurt but for our breaking, that the Son of God, concealed within, may be revealed.

BAPTISM INTO THE BODY

ICor. 12:13

- I. INDIVIDUAL BODY, LOCAL BODY, UNIVERSAL BODY Baptized into...A Body... which is the CHURCH. -- Eph. 1:22, 23; Col. 1:18, 19
- II. GOD IS BUILDING HIS CHURCH -- (Mt. 16:18) which is his body, his SON.
 - A. Eph. 4:13 Amplified Bible
 - B. "Perfect Man"
 - C. Eph. 4:7 We're given a measure (portion) of the gift of Christ.
 - D. Jn. 3:34 "For God giveth not the Spirit by measure (boundless) unto him."
 - E. IPet. 2:5 "Are built up a spiritual house."
 - F. Eph. 2:18-22
 - 1. built upon vs. 20
 - 2. building fitly framed together groweth vs. 21
 - 3. builded together for an habitation of God vs. 22
 - G. IPet. 2:5 "As lively stones are built up a spiritual house."
- III. JER. 18:1-12 THE POTTER AND THE CLAY -- (Rom. 9:20-24)
 - A. To pluck up, to pull down, to destroy vs. 7
 - B. To build and to plant vs. 9
 - C. "Go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words."
 - 1. Potter's house One's heart Individual body
 - Local church Local body
 - The earth/Universal church Universal body
- IV. GOD IS BUILDING A BODY TO INHABIT...THE CHURCH, a son made of many members Rom. 12:4; Eph. 4:13 "a perfect man"
 - A. The Hebrew word for son in the Old Testament is: Ben (noun): 1121 a son (as a builder of the family name) Root word is baw-naw (verb): 1129 to build
- V. Jer. 18:3 "BEHOLD (see or get the revelation), he wrought a work on the wheels."
 - A. Wheel: o'ben, 70 a pair of stones (only dual); a potters wheel or a midwifes stool (consisting alike of two horizontal disks with a support between). Root word is eh'-ben, 68 to build; a stone. Root word is baw-naw, 1129 to build.
- VI. Mt. 16:18 GOD IS BUILDING HIS CHURCH, Which is His Body, His Son. (ICor. 12:12, 24-27; Col. 1:18 Amp.; Eph. 1:16-23 Amp.)
 - A. Peter: **petros** pebble, stone Rock: **petra** - mass of rock

- B. IPet. 2:4,5 lively stone/living stone
- C. IKi. 6:7 "was built of stone made ready"

VII. JER. 18:4 - "THE VESSEL THAT HE MADE"

A. Vessel: **kel-ee**, 3627 - something prepared; any apparatus (as an implement, utensil, dress, vessel, or weapon) Root word is **kaw-law**, 3615 - to end; to complete, prepare, finish.

VIII. JER. 18:4 - "IN THE HAND OF THE POTTER"

A. Hand: yawd, 3027 - a hand (the open one, indicating POWER, MEANS, DIRECTION) - in distinction from 3709 - a hand (the closed one)

**NOTE: There is a hand (H.G.) on the INSIDE of the vessel (Rom. 8:14) and a hand (5-fold ministry) on the OUTSIDE of the vessel (Eph. 4:11) putting BALANCED PRESSURE on the FORMATION (Rom. 12:2; Isa. 43:1).

The hand of MERCY, BLESSING, and GRACE is found 84 times in Jeremiah, while the hand of punishment is found twice. (Jer. 12:7; 15:1).

IV. JER. 18:1,4 - "GO DOWN TO THE POTTER'S HOUSE"

- Potter: yaw-tsar, 3335 squeezing into shape; to mold into a form (Gal. 4:19 H.G.), especially as a potter; to determine (form a resolution); fashion, purpose.
 Root word is yaw-tsar, 3334 to press; to be narrow; be in distress.
- B. Baptism into suffering Mt. 16:24-26
 - 1. Deny yourself Jn. 12:24-26
 - 2. Follow me the way of Gethsemane Mt. 26:36-46
 - GETHSEMANE: 1068 oil-press
 Heb. origin, 1660 in the sense of treading out grapes; a wine press or vat for holding the grapes in pressing them. Also 8081 - grease, richness, anointing.

BAPTISM INTO THE BODY

ICor. 12:13

L TABLE OF SHEWBREAD

- A. "...Take, eat; this is my body..." ICor. 11:24
 - 1. Christ, the Break of Life
 - 2. The broken body (for distribution)
- B. "...This cup is the new testament in My blood..." vs. 25
 - 1. Poured out His life
 - 2. Poured out His soul

II. JOINTS AND MARROW -- Heb. 4:12

- A. Body joined together
- B. Body compacted together: Eph. 4:12,16
- C. Every joint supplieth

III. JOINTS MINISTER NOURISHMENT -- Col. 2:19

- A. Bones moistened with marrow: Job 21:24
- B. Bones out of joint: Ps. 22:14
 - 1. Marrow dries up
 - 2. Life of the blood stops flowing
- C. Life of the flesh is in the blood: Leviticus 16

IV. VALLEY OF DRY BONES -- Ezekiel 37

- A. Bone to His bone: Ezekiel 37
 - 1. Dislocation before relocation
 - 2. Shaking of the bones: Ezekiel 37
- B. Relocation for new life: vs. 5
 - 1. Blood reproduced in the marrow
 - 2. Life of the body

BAPTISM INTO SUFFERING

Mt. 20:20-23

I. FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SUFFERING -- Phil. 2:10

- A. Conformed to His death
 - 1. I lay down My "life" Jn. 10:11, 15, 17
 - 2. Give His "life" a ransom: Mt. 20:28
- B. Obedient unto death: Phil. 2:5-9
- C. Learned obedience through suffering: Heb. 5:8

II. POUR ONESELF OUT -- Phil. 2:5-9

- A. Made of Himself no reputation
 - 1. No soul name: prestige recognition honour position fame
- B. Took upon Him the form of a servant
 - 1. Came not to be served
 - 2. Came to serve
- C. Humbled Himself unto obedience
 - 1. Humbled in deity
 - 2. Humbled in humanity

III. POURED OUT HIS BLOOD -- ICor. 11

- A. Great drops of blood: Lk. 22:44
 - 1. The life is in the blood: Lev. 17:11
- B. When I see the blood: Ex. 12:7-13
 - 1. God cannot see the blood if it is not poured out.
 - 2. When God sees "psuche" poured out.

IV. TAKE UP YOUR CROSS -- Mt. 16;24-26

- A. Deny yourself: Jn. 12:24-26
- B. Follow Me: the way of Gethsemane

- C. How to stay in hupomone --
 - 1. Mt. 26:41 -- Watch and Pray
 - 2. Lk. 18;1 -- Pray and not faint
- V. **EXPERIENCE** James says if we let <u>her</u> have her perfect work, we will be perfect and entire, wanting nothing! Rom. 5 -- Paul says that hupomone brings experience and experience hope and <u>hope maketh not ashamed!</u> That same hope that comes will anchor your soul according to Heb. 6:19 and make the next test easier!

BAPTISM INTO THE CLOUD

ICor. 10:1-2; Ex. 33:14

The Cloud is the glory of God revealed, the Presence and Power of the Holy Spirit. Just as the cloud was to reveal the rainbow of promise after the flood, so the cloud of God's Glory reveals the loving kindness and promises of the Lord to His people. Gen. 9:13-16.

- I. WHEN LUCIFER FELL HE DESIRED TO ASCEND ABOVE THE HEIGHTS OF THE CLOUD. (Heb. singular) He desired to magnify and exalt himself above the Spirit of the living God. Isa. 14:14
- II. THE CLOUD LED THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL. Ex. 13:21-22; Num. 9:15-23; Neh. 9:12-19; Ps. 78:14. Just as the Cloud of God's Glory led the Israelites as they left Egypt and began to walk with God, so the Holy Spirit leads and guides every believer as he turns from the world and follows the Lord. Rom. 8:14. The Cloud protected them from heat--tribulation and oppression. The Cloud illuminated them at night. The Holy Spirit gives light to the believer and delivers him from the powers of darkness.
- III. THE CLOUD OF SEPARATION. Ex. 14:19-20, 24. The Cloud separated the children of Israel from Pharaoh and his hosts and from the land of Egypt. We are sanctified by the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38-39
- IV. THE CLOUD OF BAPTISM. Ex. 14:21-22. Israel was baptized in the cloud and in the sea. ICor. 10:1-2. "He spread a cloud for a covering..." Ps. 105:39, cf. Isa. 4:5. It is now the will of God for every believer to be baptized in water and in the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38-39
- V. THE CLOUD AND THE MANNA. Ex. 16:10-15. The Cloud appeared with the promise of Manna. The Holy Spirit presents and accompanies the Word of God. The Spirit and the Word agree. How we need the Holy Spirit's presence when feeding on the Word of God. ICor. 2:9-12
- VI. THE CLOUD ON MT. SINAI. Ex. 19:9; 16-25; 24:15-18. What M. Sinai was to Israel after their deliverance from Egypt by the Passover, so Pentecost is to the believer after our deliverance from the world by the power of the Blood of the Lamb. The Cloud of God's Glory is revealed in Pentecost. Acts 2:4; IlCor. 3:2-3, 7-8
- VII. THE CLOUD PROCLAIMED THE NAME OF THE LORD. Ex. 34:5-7. The Holy Spirit proclaims the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the greatest name in heaven and earth. Acts 2:36-38

- VIII. THE CLOUD OF GLORY FILLED THE TABERNACLE. Ex. 40:34-38; Num. 9:15-16. Also the Temple. IIChron. 5:12-14; IKi. 8:10-11. The Holy Spirit is the indwelling Presence in the Church. We are to be a habitation of God through the Spirit. Eph. 2:19-22. Temples of the Holy Ghost. ICor. 3:16; 6:19
- IV. THE CLOUD UPON THE MERCYSEAT. Lev. 16:2; Ex. 25:22. The Holy Spirit in Communion through the Blood. The Holy Spirit honors the blood and ministers through the virtues of the blood.
- V. THE CLOUD UPON THE MT. OF TRANSFIGURATION. Mt. 17:5; Mk. 9:7; Lk. 9:34-35. The Cloud of God's Glory had left the Temple in Jerusalem in the days of Ezekiel because of the sins of Israel. Ez. 9:3; 10:4, 18; 11:23. Now the Lord Jesus, God's only begotten Son and the true Temple of God, had come to the earth to dwell among men. Jn. 1:14. As He prayed on the mount He was transfigured and His face shown as the sun. The Glory of God shown through the veil of His flesh and the Glory Cloud of God's Presence overshadowed Him. God, the Father, spoke from the Cloud and said, "This is My beloved Son, hear ye Him."
- VI. THE CLOUD AT THE ASCENSION OF CHRIST. Acts 1:9. When the Lord Jesus ascended a Cloud received Him out of the sight of the disciples. God's glory enveloped Him as He returned to heaven.
- VII. THE LORD JESUS WILL COME AGAIN IN THE CLOUDS. Mt. 24:30; Mk. 13:26; Lk. 21:27; Rev. 1:7; IThess. 4:17; Dan. 7:13. The Son of God will come in like manner as the disciples saw Him go. He is coming in the glory of the Father to rule and reign forever and ever. All sin, sickness, disease and death will be banished before the cloud of God's Eternal Glory revealed in the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.