



Silverdale Baptist Church
7 Commands of Christ ~ 1. Repent, Believe, & be Baptized
Mark 1:9-15 ~ 04/07-08/2024

Big Idea

Christ commands us to repent, believe, and be baptized.

Big Question

From Pastor Tony's message, what is the first command of Christ?

What does that look like in our lives?

Getting Started

What would you choose if you could only have one:

- Logic or emotion?
- Money or love?
- Comfortable lie or the painful truth?

Our relationship with God is a "this or that" relationship. We are in a relationship with Jesus, or we are not. There is no middle ground. There is no, almost a Christian, or "I'm sort of a Christian." You either are a Christian, or you are not a Christian.

Learn

| HAVE SOMEONE READ MARK 1:9-15.

Repent – A Turning from this World To God

*"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near. **Repent** and believe the good news!" (Mk 1:15)*

*I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in **repentance** and have **faith** in our Lord Jesus. (Acts 20:21)*

What are the two main points of Jesus' message or sermon?

| HAVE SOMEONE READ ACTS 20:21.

What are the two main points of Paul's message or sermon?

What does *repent* mean?

What does repentance look like in your life?

Believe – A Trust and Allegiance In Christ

*"Repent and **believe** the good news!" (Mark 1:15)*

*Since we have been justified by **faith**, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 5:1)*

What does it mean to *believe* or have *faith*?

How is the biblical definition of *faith* different than our definition of *belief*?

What does faith look like in your life?

Be Baptized – An Outward Identification with Christ

*Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was **baptized** (Mark 1:9)*

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, **baptizing them** in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit" (Matt 28:19)*

| HAVE SOMEONE READ MARK 1:9-10 AND MATT. 28:19.

Jesus was baptized. What are we commanded to do as Christ's followers when we make disciples?

Questions About Baptism.

How Should I Be Baptized?

*Immediately **coming up out of the water** ... (Mark 1:10).*

How was Jesus baptized?

What Is The Meaning Of Baptism?

*We were **buried** therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was **raised** from the dead, we too might walk in newness of life. (Rom. 6:4)*

- It is A Picture of the Gospel Of Christ
- It Is A Picture Of Our New Life In Christ
- It Is A Picture Of Our Cleansing From Sin

|ASK A VOLUNTEER TO READ ROMANS 6:4

How is baptism by immersion a picture of the gospel in Rom. 6:4?

WHO Should Be Baptized?

*So then, **those who had received his word were baptized**; and that day there were added about three thousand souls” (Acts 2:41)*

|HAVE A VOLUNTEER READ ACTS 2:41.

Who should be baptized?

APPLY

From what you have seen, what role do *repentance and belief* play in our becoming a Christian?

Have you repented and believed? Have you surrendered your life to Jesus?

Have you been baptized by immersion? If not, why not?

What has the Holy Spirit shown you?

What will you do with what you have learned?

Pray

Father, thank You for the simplicity of the gospel. Please help us share the good news we have heard today with others this week. In Jesus’s name, amen.