

Baptized Into Christ

Galatians 3:26-29

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Sign and seal

- **Sign:** visible, physical picture of invisible, spiritual facts
- **Seal:** confirms gospel promises and officially marks each member of God's family

In Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. (Galatians 3:26-29)

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One With Christ

- **Legal union:** Jesus represents us. He is our legal head. He acts on our behalf. What he does is counted by God as ours.
- **Living union:** Jesus lives in us and we in him through a living connection. He is our living head, and we are his body. His actions affect and direct our experience. His death, resurrection, and reign flow into our lives.

Flood of baptism

In the ark only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 3:20-21)



Baptized in the sea

They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. They all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. (1 Corinthians 10:2-4)



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A photograph of a stone archway, possibly an entrance to a tomb or a passage. The arch is made of rough-hewn, light-colored stone blocks. A bright, warm light shines through the opening of the arch, creating a strong contrast with the dark, shadowed areas on either side. The overall mood is one of hope and resurrection.

Dunked in death, raised to life

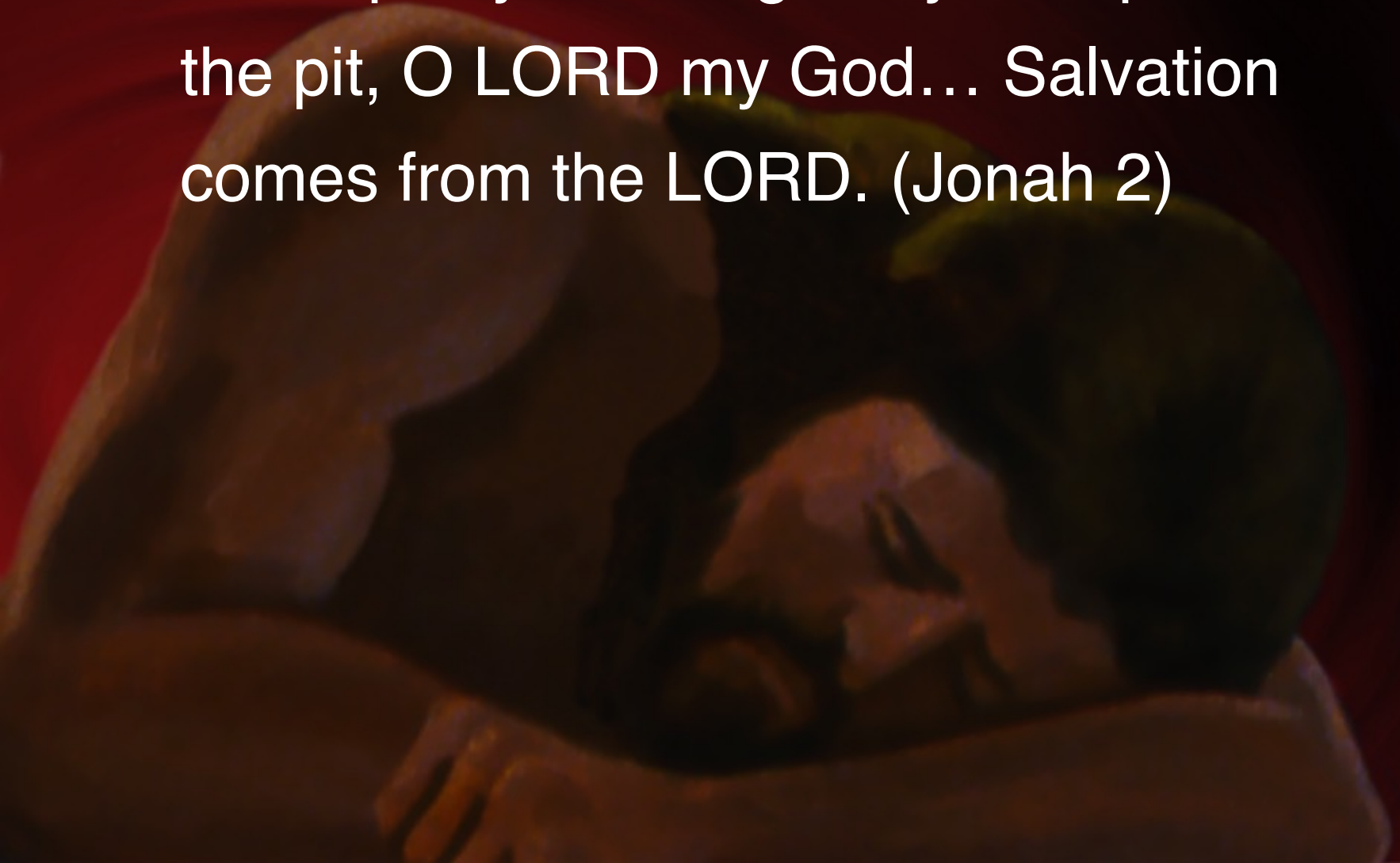
having been buried
with him in baptism,
in which you were
also raised with him
through faith in the
powerful working of
God, who raised him
from the dead.

(Colossians 2:12)





From the depths of the grave I called
for help... you brought my life up from
the pit, O LORD my God... Salvation
comes from the LORD. (Jonah 2)





Live your baptism!

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life... In the same way, **count yourselves** dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.
(Romans 6:4,11)

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Washed in Jesus' blood

The blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. (1 John 1:7)

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. (Revelation 7:14)

Washed by the Spirit

He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior (Titus 3:4-6)

Washing away sins

“And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.” (Acts 22:16)

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. (Heb 10:22)

Stripped, cleansed, clothed

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

Put on the Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom 13:14)

You have put off the old self [anthropos] with its practices, and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. (Col 3:9-10)







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One with all believers

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. (Gal 3:28-29)

We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. (1 Cor 12:13)

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