

Talk It Over

Questions are prepared each week by the teaching pastor and are designed to prompt insights, questions, and the life experience of each listener. If these are used in a group immediately following the talk, it would be much the same as what was done in Israel at the time of the early church. They will also be useful to individuals who want a deeper understanding of the message.

You don't need to answer all of the questions. Choose one or several to think about on your own or to discuss if you are meeting in a group.

THE NEW STARTS NOW - BAPTISM

1. What fundamental difference did Jesus introduce regarding the concept of being "clean" or "unclean" before God?
2. How does baptism symbolize a new start and cleansing in a decision to follow Jesus?
3. Why is baptism a symbolic act done for the person, not by the person, and what does this symbolize?
4. Reflect on a decision or resolution you've made recently. How did you mark the beginning of this new journey, and was there a physical action involved?
5. Think about the trajectory of your life. Whose advice or teachings do you prioritize, and how do they shape your overall perspective?
6. Are there areas in your life that you feel need a new start or a fresh beginning? How might the teachings of Jesus offer guidance in these areas?
7. If you've experienced baptism, reflect on its significance in your life. How did it symbolize a new birth or start for you?

