Some Things Baptism Does Not Do

(Romans 6:3-7)

Introduction: A critic once said, "You all talk about baptism so much that you slosh when you walk." Well, maybe I do, but there are good reasons for it (Matt. 26:28; Jn. 3:5; Acts 2:38; Acts 8, 9, 10; Rom. 6:3-7; Gal. 3:26-27). Yet, we all need to know what baptism does not do...

I. Cleanse Sins _____ Committed A) Some have the idea that baptism will take care of any future sins. B) Baptism does cleanse past sins (Acts 22:16). 1. John refutes the Calvinist idea (1 Jn. 1:8-10; 2:3-4). 2. Paul also refutes it (Rom. 6:1-4, 12-15). 3. Sins committed after baptism must be ____ _____ (Acts 8:12-13, 18-21; 1 Jn. 1:9). II. Make Spiritual _____ _ Unnecessary A) God expects the baptized believer to... __ (1 Pet. 2:2). 1. Grow and mature in the _____ 2. Give attention to reading, exhortation & doctrine (1 Tim. 4:13, 14-15; 2 Tim. 3:16). 3. Become a teacher (Heb. 5:12). B) We must be diligent to add to our faith (1 Pet. 1:2-11). III. Make One _____ Sin A) Avoid sin yourself by being a slave to obedience (Rom. 6:16-19). B) 1 Thess. 5:22 "abstain from every form of evil" 1. Not only avoid but expose (Eph. 5:1-14). IV. Make One _____ For Right A) There is a battle going on and we must put on the armor of God and engage (Eph. 6:10-13). 1. We must "contend earnestly for the faith" (Jude 3). 2. WE must be a good soldier in the Lord's camp (2 Tim. 2:3-5). B) We must not compromise. V. Cause One to _____ Faithfully A) We must worship in "spirit and truth" (Jn. 4:24). 1. Hebrew writer had to remind and warn (Heb. 10:23-25). 2. Some are baptized and then never seen again. B) We can lose our hope (Heb. 10:26-31). VI. Forego A) We will all stand individually in judgment (2 Cor. 5:10). B) Judgment begins at the house of God (2 Pet. 4:15-18). **Conclusion:** God commands all to be baptized and it is necessary for salvation.

But baptism alone will not save. Don't draw back (Heb. 10:35-39).

My Notes: