



**Water baptism** is the cleansing (remission) of sins, and the union of the believer with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection so that you become one of Christ's Faithful.

**Matthew 28:19** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

## **Christ's commission to his disciples.**

**Water Baptism** and **Communion** are ordinances which fulfill righteousness during this present age. However, they are not to be viewed as the means of grace to gain or preserve salvation. (Matthew 28:19,20; Ephesians 2:8,9; Titus 3:5)

The Christian's life of Holiness is God's prescribed and commanded behavior resulting from the new indwelling nature birthed and enabled by the Holy Spirit. (Romans 5:17; II Corinthians 6:19-7:1)

The true church is the massive group of individual's world wide who have been "called-out" of satanic dominion and birthed by the Holy Spirit into the Kingdom of His (God's) Dear Son! (Colossians 1; I Timothy 3:15) The local Church provides a microcosm and local expression of what God is saying and doing universally through His people. (Ephesians 4) We acknowledge our rights under Christ, the head of the Church, along with the provisions of the United States constitution to govern our own affairs and to submit to those persons and laws where they are consistent and harmonious with Biblical guidelines.

Baptism is an outward sign of that inward washing, or sanctification of the Spirit, which seals and evidences the believer's justification. Let us examine ourselves, whether we really possess the inward and spiritual grace of a death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness.