



## Pardon my JARGON

Correcting Religious Lingo

Episode 8 – “Baptism”  
Christianity’s Least Understood Ritual

Βαπτίζω  
(*baptizo*)  
“to immerse”



טבֵּל  
(*taval*)  
“to dip/immerse”

απολουω  
(*apolouo*)  
“to wash”



רָחַץ  
(*rachatz*)  
“to wash thoroughly by  
immersion (in water)”

### 1 Corinthians 6:11

... But you were **washed**, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Master Yeshua the Messiah and by the spirit of our God.

### Ephesians 5:26

...that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the **washing of water** with the word...

### Titus 3:5

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.

### Acts 22:16

“And now why do you delay? Arise, and be **immersed**, and **wash away** your sins, calling on His name.”

### 2 Purposes for Immersion in the *Tanach*:

1. Completion of a phase of life
2. Ritual Purity
  - a. Leprosy (*tzaraat*)
  - b. Monthly cycle
  - c. Ascending to the Temple



### 1 Corinthians 10:1-2

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were **immersed** into Moses in the cloud and in the sea.

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### Immersion in Judaism

- Prior to a Bar/Bat Mitzvah
- Prior to marriage
- Prior to Yom Kippur
- After a woman's monthly cycle
- After repentance/conversion

### Mark 1:9-12

In those days Yeshua came from Nazareth of Galilee and was immersed by John in the Jordan. And when He came up out of the water, immediately He saw the heavens being torn open and the spirit descending on Him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son. With You I am well pleased."