Is Baptism For the Remission of Sin

TEXT: Acts 2:38 INTRODUCTION:

- A. SIN IS A REALITY(**Rom. 3:23; 1 John 1:10**).
- B. THE CONSEQUENCE OF SIN(Rom. 6:23; Eph. 2:1).
- C. WE NEED OUR SINS TO BE REMOVED OR "REMITTED."
- D. TEXT TELLS US BAPTISM IS UNTO REMISSION OF SINS. DOES THIS MEAN BAPTISM IS NECESSARY?

I. QUESTION: IS BAPTISM FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS?

- A. EXAMINE Mark 16:16 FOR THE ANSWER.
 - 1. Doesn't say, "He that believeth and is saved can be baptized."
 - 2. What does it say? "He that believeth **and is baptized** shall be saved."
 - 3. Illustration: My telephone **1-602-898-3651**. Dial this and my phone will ring. But it won't if you don't dial the area code, what people often

forget to do.

- B. EXAMINE(Acts 2:38).
 - 1. **vs. 36**. Peter accuses the Jews.
 - 2. Their question: "What shall we do?" About what?
 - 3. **Peter's answer** and explanation -> he gives the purpose.
 - Peter's use of the word "unto" or "for." eis, "To denote purpose, in order to,...for forgiveness of sin, so that sins might be forgiven." (Arndt and Gingrich Lexicon).
 - 5. Same wording used in Matthew 26:28 by Jesus.

II. REMISSION OF SINS IS IN JESUS CHRIST.

- A. Eph. 1:5-7. "...in whom we have our redemption..."
- B. Rom. 8:1. "There is therefore no condemnation...IN Jesus."
- C. Col. 1:13-14. "...in whom we have our redemption, the forgiveness of our sins."
- D. Acts 4:12.
- E. HOW DOES ONE GET INTO CHRIST SO THAT REMISSION OF SINS CAN BE OBTAINED? (Gal. 3:26-27; Rom. 6:3-4).

III. SALVATION PROMISED ONLY TO THOSE WHO DO HIS WILL.

- A. Matt. 7:21.
- B. CHRIST'S WILL(Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16:16).
- C. BAPTISM, THEREFORE, IS FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

IV. SAUL WAS A PENITENT BELIEVER, AND ASKED WHAT WAS LEFT FOR HIM TO DO.

- A. Acts 22:10. "WHAT SHALL I DO, LORD?"
- B. "IT WILL BE TOLD THEE."
- C. WHEN WAS PAUL SAVED?
- D. ANANIAS WAS SENT TO TELL HIM. WHAT DID ANANIAS TELL PAUL? (Acts 22:16).
- E. THEREFORE, BAPTISM IS FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

CONCLUSION: THE CONCLUSION IS NATURAL.