

4) Baptism is a **witness** of our faith.

- Baptism is to show that we are dead, buried and resurrected together with the Lord.

We were therefore _____ with him through baptism into _____ in

“Order that, just as Christ was _____ from the dead through the

_____ of the Father, we too may live a _____ life” (Romans 6:4).

5) Baptism is a **symbol** of our faith.

- Baptism does not have the power to forgive sins. We are saved when we confess with our mouth and believe in our heart (Romans 10:9).

B. The Lord’s Supper

1) Jesus personally set the Lord’s supper as a remembrance of this death and shedding of blood for our sins. (Matthew 26:17-19, 26-30).

2) When we take the Lord’s supper, it helps us to remember and to give thanks.

“The _____ that brought us _____ was upon him, and by _____ we are _____” (Isaiah 53:5).

3) When we receive the Lord’s Supper, we have time to examine our actions and faith (1 Corinthians 11:23-29)

C. Give of your Finances!

It’s a sign that you have surrendered control to God.

We give because we love God and belong to Him together with all that we have.

It’s only two purposes mentioned in New Testament about money;

1. Supporting the needy is giving to God.
2. Support those who are called to bring out the Gospel because they are not able to work. Thus we bring out the Gospel to the unreached.

- The Old Testament law about tithing was fulfilled by Jesus on the cross, but may be a good principle to lay aside 10% for Gods purpose.
- Each house church decide how they use the money. And they can cooperate with other house churches to collect money for bigger purposes.
- Do not give with sorrow or in response to pressure, but with a joyful heart.

God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Cor 9:7

This week, make a commitment to becoming a church together.

Begin adding these three functions into your meeting times.