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## The Immortality of Man

Man is more than physical but is also a spiritual being. Even though our physical body dies and decays, our spirit continues to live on forever. Death of the physical body occurs when the body and spirit are separated. "For the body without the spirit is dead" (James 2:26). The word death means separation. When people die physically there is a separation of body and spirit. "Then the dust will return to the earth as it was. And the spirit will return to God who gave it" (Ecclesiastes 12:7).

We have two appointments we will definitely keep, whether we want to or not. "And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). These two appointments cannot be canceled. Death is not the end, but it is the beginning of eternity. Eternity is awaiting each of us and we must prepare for it. "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet, for the trumpet will sound and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall all be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality" (1 Corinthians 15:52-53). Also Jesus says, "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear his voice and come forth, those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation" (John 5:28-29). We will be held accountable for how we have lived here on the earth.

Atheists and humanists deny the existence of God, the spirit, and immortality of man. This view is responsible for the degenerate behavior among many people today. They take no responsibility for what they do and do not really care. If one thinks he came from nothing, then what difference does it make? If people are convinced that this life is all there is to their existence, they have no fear of doing whatever they see fit. Because of our immortality, Jesus says, "Fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both body and soul in hell" (Matthew 10:28). The vast majority of people will end up in Hell (Matthew 7:13-14).

In Luke 16:19-31, Jesus teaches there is life after death, there is reward and punishment, and one is able to remember after death. Even though the body is separated from the spirit, the spirit continues to live, "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ" (2 Corinthians 5:10). "And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life" (Matthew 25:46). We must be prepared for eternity, because those who are not prepared will be eternally lost in Hell.

# In the Name of Jesus David Wright

The Great Commission of Jesus requires God's people to immerse disciples "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matt. 28:19). In the great Pentecost sermon, however, Peter mentions only the Son. "Repent," the apostle urges, "and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38). And in Ephesus some years later, 12 disciples are "baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus" after hearing the preaching of Paul (19:5).

Why do the Lord and his inspired apostles seem to be sending mixed signals? What is the correct baptismal formula? Are we to immerse in the name of Jesus, or in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit?

In first century thought, one's "name" had different connotations than it does now. For us, a name is mainly a word of identification. If I am sitting in a doctor's waiting room, the nurse's calling of my name gets my attention but no one else's. For the people of biblical times, though, a name was something more. It fully represented the person named and his or her attributes.

Thus, the phrasing differences in the biblical baptismal instructions and examples are relatively insignificant. The Bible gives no exact baptismal formula that must be followed to the letter. To be baptized "in the name" of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is to be immersed into God's person and life. Since Jesus is God's full equal, being immersed in his name means essentially the same thing.

3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. Romans 6:3-6

## Sermon

1 Cor. 16:13-14 Rise Up, O Men of God (a.m.)

A Woman Who Prophesied (p.m.)

## **Memory Verses**

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light (Gen. 1:1-3, ESV).

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#### Hamburg Happenings

The Young at Heart (ages 50 and up) will meet for dinner at Bob Evans in Clarksville at 6 p.m. on Friday, September 14.

Harold Tincher and David Wright want to meet with everyone planning to participate in the Monday Night for the Master evangelism program (tentatively scheduled to begin on October 1). This planning session will be held in the multi-purpose room after the evening service on September 16.

The Hamburg Pike church is hosting a leadership workshop on Saturday, September 22. The guest speakers will be Tom Holland, Jerrie Barber, Lance Cordle, and Gary Knuckles. The first session begins at 9:00 a.m., and the program ends at 2:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend, but our men are especially urged to take advantage of this excellent opportunity for spiritual growth.

On Sunday, September 30, the Hamburg Pike congregation will host a Kids' Day for elementary school children. The morning message will be specifically prepared for kids. A pizza lunch under the pavilion will be followed by outdoor games and activities.

Reminder: Please complete your involvement form and give to Jerry Casey or Hayward Blanton within the next 2 weeks.

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