

# **Ordinances of the Church**

## *Volume 2 - Unit 3*

### **I. Ordinances vs. Sacraments**

### **II. The New Testament Ordinances**

#### A. Baptism

##### 1. Definition of baptizo

a. Primary meaning - "Immerse"

b. Secondary meaning - "Identify with" (I Corinthians 10:2, Matthew 3:11, 20:22)

##### 2. The Christian Ordinance of Water Baptism

a. Who?

(1) Is baptized

(a) Infants? -

"Christian circumcision"

"Household" baptism

(b) Believers? - N. T. evidence; Church history;  
Spiritual birth, not physical

(2) Baptizes

b. What?

(1) A symbol, evidence of commitment

(2) Prerequisite for salvation?

c. When?

d. Where?

e. Why

f. How?

(1) Immersion?

(a) Primary meaning of baptizo

(b) Meaning of the symbol

(c) Early church practice

(2) Sprinkling /Pouring?

(a) Secondary meaning of baptizo (cf. Hebrews 9:10)

(b) Meaning of the symbol

(c) Immersion improbable in some passages

## B. The Lord's Supper

### 1. Who?

- a. Participants
- b. Administrator

### 2. What?

- a. Sacrifice (transubstantiation)?
- b. Memorial? (I Corinthians 11:24-25)

### 3. When?

- a. Daily? (Acts 2:46)
- b. Weekly? (Acts 20:7)
- c. Other?

### 4. Where?

### 5. Why?

- a. Remembrance of Christ's death (I Corinthians 11:25)
- b. Proclamation of the gospel (I Corinthians 11:26)
- c. Anticipation of 2nd coming (I Corinthians 11:26)
- d. Recognition of our oneness in Christ (I Corinthians 10:17)

### 6. How?

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSES - I Corinthians 11:26 – “For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show (proclaim) the Lord's death till He come.”