

# About Baptism, October 8, 2023

## Ice Breaker:

When was a time you made a commitment that you later discovered you weren't ready for.

## Discussion Questions:

1. The sermon emphasizes the significance of baptism and how it symbolizes our commitment to follow Jesus. Have you been baptized, and if so, could you share your experience and the reasons behind your decision?
2. The objections mentioned in the sermon include concerns like having been baptized before, pride, privacy, and personal readiness. Which of these objections resonates with you the most, and how have you dealt with any objections in your own journey?
3. Read Matthew 3:13  
Reflect on the story of Jesus traveling a significant distance to be baptized by John the Baptist. What does this commitment teach us about the importance of obedience and following Christ's example?
4. Read James 4:17  
The sermon also mentions the idea of not procrastinating obedience. Have you ever struggled with procrastination in your spiritual life or other areas? How can you overcome this tendency and take action promptly when God calls you?
5. Read Acts 2:37-38  
The message emphasizes the importance of baptism as a public declaration of faith. What do you think about the idea that baptism is not just about having it all together, but about embracing Jesus' love and grace despite our imperfections?

## Key Takeaway or Action Item:

After considering the sermon and our discussion, is there any step you feel prompted to take in your faith journey? Whether it's regarding baptism, reaffirming your commitment, or any other area, how can your small group offer accountability and encouragement as you pursue this step?