

GOD'S PLAN FOR ALL BELIEVERS

SCRIPTURE: ACTS 2:38-39

- A. THE REPENTANT BELIEVER IS A CANDIDATE FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT
- B. THERE IS NO EXCLUSION CLAUSE IN THIS PROMISE

INTRODUCTION

GOD'S PLAN FOR ALL MEN INCLUDES THREE BASIC ACTIONS THAT ARE MENTIONED IN THIS PASSAGE. IT IS A SIMPLE~ PROGRESSIVE PLAN THAT ENABLES EVERY BELIEVER TO BECOME AN EFFECTIVE, FULFILLED PERSON.

I. REPENT

ACTS 17:30B-31A BUT NOW COMMANDETH ALL MEN EVERYWHERE TO REPENT: BECAUSE HE HATH APPOINTED A DAY IN WHICH HE WILL JUDGE THE WORLD IN RIGHTEOUSNESS....

- A. REPENTANCE IS THE BASIS OF A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD
- B. REPENTANCE IS THE BEGINNING OF A CHANGED LIFE
- C. REPENTANCE IS THE KEY TO PEACE WITH GOD, SELF AND OTHERS

II. BE BAPTIZED

MATTHEW 28:19 GO YE THEREFORE, AND TEACH ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST:

- A. WATER BAPTISM WILL NOT SAVE YOU
 - 1. THE COMMAND IS REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED
 - 2. OBEDIENCE TO CHRIST'S COMMAND IS THE KEY TO SALVATION
- B. WATER BAPTISM IS AN ACT OF OBEDIENCE TO CHRIST'S COMMAND
- C. WATER BAPTISM IS A TESTIMONY OF YOUR CHRISTIAN FAITH

III. YE SHALL RECEIVE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST

ACTS 2:39 FOR THE PROMISE IS UNTO YOU, AND TO YOUR CHILDREN, AND TO ALL THAT ARE AFAR OFF, EVEN AS MANY AS THE LORD OUR GOD SHALL CALL.