Today's Scripture Text: Acts 2:38-47

Baptism is the biblical practice that means the same thing as what we mean by Church Membership

## 1. Baptism is a Visible Identification with a Spiritual Family

We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body. 1Cor. 12.13

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"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. **Acts 10:47-48** 

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## 2. Baptism is a Declared Commitment to a Spiritual Family

I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. **1 Cor 2:2** 

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ. **Rom 16:25** 

No one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. **1 Cor 3:11**