

The Gateway to a new life!

Subject: Baptism
Objective: To compare and contrast Christ death, burial and resurrection and baptism and to show the importance of being dead to sin before one is baptized.
Main Text: Romans 6:3-4)

ATTENTION

ILLUSTRATION

A boy and his father had an argument about baptism. The boy told the father that he learnt in school that baptism is a burial. It is immersing, going under the water. The father told his son that baptism is not immersing it is sprinkling and that he was certain that the teacher doesn't know what she is talking about. The argument went back and forth until the father said, "Don't argue with me, immersing and sprinkling are the same thing."

During that week, one of the yard fowls died and the boy was instructed by his father to go and bury the fowl. The boy placed the fowl in the back yard away from human sight and sprinkled the dirt on the fowl, washed his hands and went along his merry way.

A few days later the father called out to his son, "Boy, what is smelling behind the house?"

The son replied, "I don't know daddy."

"Did you bury the fowl that I told you to bury", the father shouted.

"Yes daddy," the boy replied.

The father decided to check the back yard to see if the boy buried the fowl. When he got there he saw the dead, rotten fowl with about two handful of sand thrown on it. He called out, "Boy how you say you bury the fowl!"

The boy replied, "Dad you told me that immersing and sprinkling are the same thing."

APPLICATION

It is against the law to place a dead person on top to the earth and sprinkle some dirt on that person. A person who is dead must be placed beneath earth. It