



# CALVARY CHAPEL VALDOSTA

BEAUTIFUL VALLEY

## Baptism Preparation

1. What water baptism is?
  - a. Water baptism is the outward profession of what has taken place inwardly
  - b. Water baptism is a step of obedience to the word of God
  - c. Water baptism is a public declaration
  
2. What water baptism is not?
  - a. Water baptism is not salvation but evidence of salvation
  - b. Water baptism is not a recurring action but a one-time event
  - c. Water baptism is not changing you but reveals the change in you

Before your baptism do the following:

1. Work on a short testimony to share how the Lord has touched your life and what is leading you to take this step.
2. Pray for your water baptism ceremony that it will encourage others to live out their faith publicly.
3. Read the following verses to familiarize yourself with what the scriptures say about baptism:
  - a. Matthew 28:19 – part of the great commission
  - b. Acts 2:37-41 – followed acceptance of salvation in Jesus Christ
  - c. Acts 8:26-38 – the next action after accepting the Lord
  - d. Acts 9:17-18 – a public profession of faith after receiving a touch of the Lord
  - e. Acts 10:44-48 – the next action after being filled with the Holy Spirit
  - f. Acts 16:27-34 – the next action after receiving salvation
  - g. 1 Corinthians 1:14-17 – mentioned in the epistles
  - h. 1 Peter 3:21 – as evidence of what occurred inwardly