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# The Sacraments

## Sacrament

“Any ritual observance or sacred thing, an oath of allegiance, a mystery.”

### 1 TIMOTHY 3:16

<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.



[ *Faith in Christ provides salvation* ]

## GALATIANS 3:1-9

<sup>1</sup> O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. <sup>2</sup> Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? <sup>3</sup> Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? <sup>4</sup> Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain? <sup>5</sup> Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith—<sup>6</sup> just as Abraham “believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness”?



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## GALATIANS 3:1-9

<sup>7</sup> Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. <sup>8</sup> And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify<sup>[c]</sup> the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, “In you shall all the nations be blessed.” <sup>9</sup> So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.



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## ROMANS 4:5

<sup>5</sup> And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness,

## ROMANS 5:1

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.



# The Sacraments

[ *Sacraments are given to celebrate a covenant* ]

“Covenant - Arrangement between two parties involving mutual obligations; especially the arrangement that established the relationship between God and his people, expressed in grace first with Israel and then with the church. Through that covenant God has conveyed to humanity the meaning of human life and salvation. ... **Thus a covenant relationships is not merely a mutual acquaintance, but a commitment to responsibility and action.**”

*Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible*





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## Covenant

Adam/Israel

## Sign/Seal/Sacrament

Sabbath

### EXODUS 31:12-14

<sup>12</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, <sup>13</sup> “You are to speak to the people of Israel and say, ‘Above all you shall keep my Sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the LORD, sanctify you. <sup>14</sup> You shall keep the Sabbath, because it is holy for you. Everyone who profanes it shall be put to death. Whoever does any work on it, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.



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Sacraments are tools for celebrating what God has done; they are the way He desires us to celebrate.

## **Covenant**

Noah

Abram/Abraham

## **Sign/Seal/Sacraments**

Rainbow

Circumcision

ROMANS 4:11



## [ *The Covenant of the New Testament* ]

### LUKE 4:18-19

<sup>18</sup> “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
<sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”



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## MATTHEW 11:28-29

<sup>28</sup> Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

What are the sacraments  
of the covenant of the New Covenant?



# The Sacraments

## Covenant

New Covenant

## Sign/Seal/Sacraments

Baptism and Communion

### MATTHEW 3:11-17

<sup>11</sup> “I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

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<sup>14</sup> John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. <sup>16</sup> And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; <sup>17</sup> and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”



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## 2. Jesus **MANDATES** Baptism

### MATTHEW 28:18-19

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.<sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

### MARK 16:15-16

<sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.<sup>16</sup> Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.






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## 3. Baptism is part of the **LIFE** of the church

### GALATIANS 3:23-29

<sup>23</sup> Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup> For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.



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## 3. Baptism is part of the **LIFE** of the Church

### ROMANS 6:2-4

How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

### ACTS 2:38

<sup>38</sup> And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.



## [ *Receipt of the Holy Spirit without baptism* ]

### ACTS 10:44-48

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup> And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup> For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup> “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup> And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.



## [ *Salvation without baptism* ]

### LUKE 23:42-43

<sup>42</sup> And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup> And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

- Jesus has established a new covenant.
- Baptism is immersion in water so that one may identify with Christ’s life and death.
- It is a sacrament that celebrates the new covenant.



[ *Communion: celebrating the New Covenant* ]

## LUKE 22:14-20

<sup>14</sup> And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. <sup>16</sup> For I tell you I will not eat it<sup>l</sup> until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” <sup>17</sup> And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. <sup>18</sup> For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.”



[ *Communion: celebrating the New Covenant* ]

## LUKE 22:14-20

<sup>19</sup> And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>20</sup> And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.”



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<b>OT / NT</b>	<b>Act</b>	<b>Symbolized</b>	<b>Participant</b>
OT	Burnt Offering	Complete Atonement	High Priest
OT	Sin Offering	Unintentional Sin	Priest
OT	Peace Offering	Praise and Thanks	Laity
NT	Communion	Final Atonement	The Church



[ *Communion: celebrating the New Covenant* ]

## 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-29

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>25</sup> In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” <sup>26</sup> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.





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## 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-29

<sup>27</sup> Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup> Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. <sup>29</sup> For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.



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## *Conclusion*

1. Have you been **BAPTIZED**?
2. Do you take **COMMUNION**?
3. Do you approach communion with **REVERENCE**  
and **CONFESSION**?





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