BAPTISM TAUGHT IN THE BIBLE

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Depending on who you might talk to in the religious world they might try to convince you baptism is not taught in the Bible. Let's just look at the epistles.

"**One Lord, one faith, one baptism**." (Ephesians 4:5) The Bible does mention other baptisms: **Baptism of Moses**, 1 Corinthians 10:1-11; **Baptism of suffering**, Matthew 20:20-23; **Baptism of John**, Matthew 3:1-6; **Baptism of the Holy Spirit**, Matthew 3:11; **Baptism of Fire**, Matthew 3:11. Yet, at the time of the writing to the church at Ephesus there was only ONE—the one that was for the remission of sins, Acts 2:38.

"For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ." {Galatians 3:26,27} Why is being in Christ so important? It is where all spiritual blessings are, Ephesians 1:3. Redemption is in Christ, Romans 3:24. Sanctification can only be achieved in Christ, 1 Corinthians l:2. Salvation can only be found in Christ, 2 Timothy 2:10. **Dear reader, are you in Christ**?

"For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free and have all been made to drink into one Spirit." {1 Corinthians 12:13} This body is the church, Ephesians 1:19-23. The saved have been added to the church, Acts 2:47. Can one be a member of that church without baptism?

"There is also an antitype which now saves us - baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ." {1 Peter 3:21} Salvation is tied to baptism. How important does this make baptism in the sight of God?

Studying your Bible you will find over 100 references in the scriptures concerning this subject called baptism. How can anyone, being truthful and fair, reach the conclusion that the Bible says little on the subject? What think ye now? Does the Bible say anything about baptism? We haven't even considered the book of Acts and the conversions! Sounds like it says plenty***