

A close-up, high-speed photograph of water splashing, with the text "BAPTISM SUNDAY" overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font. The water is dark blue and black, with many small droplets and ripples visible. The background is blurred, showing more water and light reflecting off the surface.

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“Would you feel comfortable marrying someone who wanted to keep the relationship a secret? Neither does God. It’s one thing to say in the privacy of your own heart that you are a sinner in need of a Saviour. But it’s quite another to walk out of the shadows and stand before family, friends, and colleagues to state publicly that Christ is your forgiver and Master. This step raises the ante.”

MAX LUCADO

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Jesus came and told His disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and **make disciples** of all the nations, **baptizing them** in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Teach these new disciples** to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

MATTHEW 28:18-20

JENE O'NEILL

“But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere. And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.”

JAMES 3:17-18

ELLIOTT WEENINK

“Trust in the Lord and do good. Then you will live safely... and prosper. Take delight in the Lord, and He will give you your heart’s desires. Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust Him, and He will help you. He will make your innocence radiate like the dawn, and the justice of your cause will shine like the noonday sun.”

PSALM 37:3-6

TROY HOOD

“I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. Your filth will be washed away, and you will no longer worship idols. And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.”

EZEKIEL 36:25-27

VIVIAN O'NEILL

“I prayed to the Lord, and He answered me. He freed me from all my fears. Those who look to Him for help will be radiant with joy; no shadow of shame will darken their faces.”

PSALM 34:4-5

LIAM OSTERGAARD

“Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God’s right hand. Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God. And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to the whole world, you will share in all His glory.”

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

SARAH HOOD

“But forget all that - it is nothing compared to what I am going to do. For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry waste-land. The wild animals in the fields will thank me, the jackals and owls, too, for giving them water in the desert. Yes, I will make rivers in the dry wasteland so my chosen people can be refreshed.”

ISAIAH 43:18-20

LOUISE O'NEILL

“Cheer up! Don’t be afraid! For the Lord your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs. I will gather you who mourn for the appointed festivals; you will be disgraced no more. And I will deal severely with all who have oppressed you. I will save the weak and helpless ones; I will bring together those who were chased away. I will give glory and fame to my former exiles, wherever they have been mocked and shamed.”

ZEPHANIAH 3:16-19

ELIJAH LEBOUBON

“Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the river-bank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.”

PSALM 1:1-3

MATTHEW GILROY

“All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.”

I CORINTHIANS 1:3-4

ARTHUR MCLAGHLIN

“We pray that you will be strengthened with all God’s glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy, always thanking the Father. He has enabled you to share in the inheritance that belongs to his people, who live in the light. For He has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins.”

COLOSSIANS 1:11-14