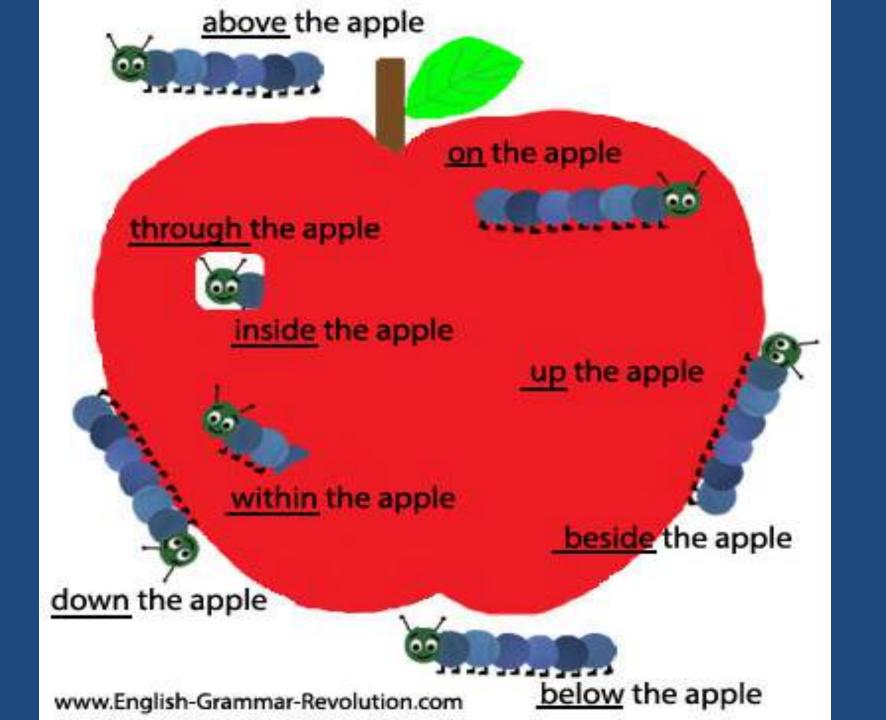
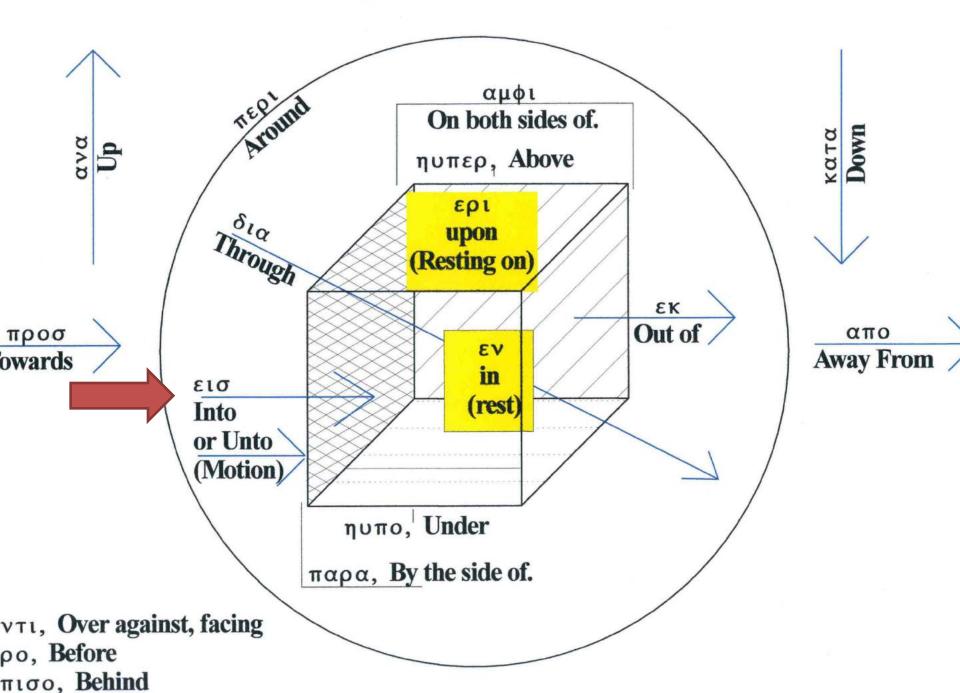
Five Things Into Which We Are Baptized...

Rom. 6:1-4



As viewed according to the idea of geometrical relationship.



Into (Eis)

- The little word around which our lesson is built is a word that means "into" – also translated as unto, for (as we will see a little later), etc.
- eis (a preposition) properly, into (unto) literally, "motion into which" implying penetration ("unto," "union") to a particular purpose or result.
- Lesson: There are five things that the Bible says one is baptized into...and taking a look at these helps us to understand what happens when one is baptized and the obvious importance of it.

Into The Name Of The Father, Son and Holy Spirit

- Matt. 28:19 → Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them *into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit:*
 - Jesus has all authority. (v-18)
 - Disciples are "made" through teaching and baptizing.
 - Those who were baptized were to be baptized into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
 - What does "into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit" mean?
 - Not a magical formula.
 - But expresses something about the nature of the relationship that is entered upon one's baptism.

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- I Cor. 1:10-13 → 10 ... ye be perfected together in the same mind and in the same judgment. 11 For it hath been signified unto me concerning you, my brethren, by them that are of the household of Chloe, that there are contentions among you. 12 Now this I mean, that each one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos: and I of Cephas; and I of Christ. <u>13 Is Christ divided? was Paul</u> crucified for you? or were ye baptized into the name of Paul?
 - Jesus has all authority and the proper response to that authority is obedience – submission to Him.
 - Shows Ownership...We belong to God. It is to him we owe our loyalty and devotion.

Into Christ

- Gal. 3:26-27 → 26 For ye are all sons of God, through faith, in Christ Jesus. 27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ.
 - Note:
 - One is not in Christ until baptism.
 - One does not get into Christ and then get baptized afterward.
 - At the point of baptism one enters into a relationship with Jesus Christ – is united with him.
 - Gal. 3:26 \rightarrow Becomes a son of God by faith
 - Jn. 15:1-7 \rightarrow becomes a branch in the vine
 - Eph. 1:3 \rightarrow In him are all spiritual blessings.

Into Christ

In baptism we put on Christ.

- Gal. 2:20 → 201 have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ living in me: and that life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself up for me.
- 10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him: 11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all. 12 *Put on therefore*, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; 13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

Into His Death

- Rom. 6:3-4 → 3 Or are ye ignorant that all we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
 4 We were buried therefore with him through baptism unto death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.
 - Why so significant?
 - Note the order → Death, Burial, then Resurrection. Our new life follows, not precedes baptism.
 - What Jesus provided for us in his death is given to us by the grace of God, when we are baptized into that death. (Rom. 3:23-26)

Romans 3:23-25

- Romans 3:23-25 → 23 for all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God; 24 being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: 25 whom God set forth to be a propitiation, through faith, in his blood, to show his righteousness because of the passing over of the sins done aforetime, in the forbearance of God;
 - Justified \rightarrow declared not guilty
 - Redemption \rightarrow Freed from the debt and consequence of sin.
 - Propitiation
 → Jesus the offering that removes sin and saves us from the wrath of God.
- Those baptized into the death of Christ and raised to walk in a newness of life, lived transformed lives. (6:11-14)

Into (For) The Remission Of Sins...

- Acts 2:38 → 38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
 - Peter preached that Jesus of Nazareth is both Lord and Christ. The convicted hearers are instructed to repent and be baptized in order to be forgiven of their sins.
 - One is baptized into a state of forgiveness of sins.
 - Peter explains how one "calls on the name of the Lord" for salvation. (v-21)
 - Being joined by a conjunction "and" repentance and baptism are heading in the same direction <u>not because sins have been</u> <u>forgiven, but in order that they would be remitted.</u> (cf. Matt. 26:28)
 - One is not "working" to earn their salvation when God's conditions for receiving the benefits of Christ's redemptive work are simply being met by the penitent believer.

Into One Body...

- 13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.
 - Various terms for God's people: body, temple, family
 - The saved are in the body of Christ. (Eph. 5:23; 4:4; 1:22-23)
 - We are part of the same spiritual body with others who have done the same things we have done.
 - We should seek unity as the body of Christ. (I Cor. 1:10ff)
 - Wonderful blessing to be in the same family with the children of God. (I Cor. 12:25-26)