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"Why Does Baptism Matter?" (Luke 3:21-22)

What is the proper term for a group of baboons?
There's an idea that a group of doves is called ""
Exaltation is not a word we use very often any more, except in referring to
The Holy Spirit came upon Jesus in the form of a
On the second Sunday of each year we celebrate Jesus'
This scene ought to remind us how every baptism is.
I worry that sometimes we view baptism as just another, just another ritual we go through in life. But, Baptism!
Why does Baptism matter?
1 It says something about the being baptized.
The person being baptized now to God!
It marks a new in the life of those being baptized.
That's why we give Baptism Certificatesto remind them of their to God and themselves, and to the
#2 Baptism also matters because of what it says about the
Christian baptism is a of the church.
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When you are baptized, you are baptized into a
Too many people are under the delusion that they can a Christian life apart from the
The Christian life can only be properly lived out as part of the of Christ!
We were baptized into the body of, and only within the body of Christ will our to Christ be complete!
Baptism is a requirement of into the body of Christ.
#3 Even more important is what it says about the of God.
God's grace is to ALL!
We are not baptized because we are
The use of water symbolizes that our sins have beenaway.
God us as we are!
If you have been baptized it must make a in your life!
Let that difference begin today!