

Uncle Noah Family Radio (February 3, 2008)

Question:

If you have not been baptized, but know that Jesus died on the cross for you and have accepted God into your life, will you still go to heaven?

Answer:

Romans 6:1-7– What is baptism?

*"What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized **into** Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.*

If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— because anyone who has died has been freed from sin."

Acts 2: 37,38– What did the first Christians do?

*"When the people heard this, they were **cut to the heart** and said to Peter and the other apostles, 'Brothers, what shall we do?'"*

Acts 22:16– Sins washed away.

*"And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and **wash your sins away**, calling on his name."*

John 3:16– Believe

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever **believes** in him shall not perish but have eternal life."*

Acts 8:26-39– The Ethiopian Nobleman.

"Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians. This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the book of Isaiah the prophet. The Spirit told Philip, 'Go to that chariot and stay near it.

*Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. '**Do you understand** what you are reading?' Philip asked.*

'How can I,' he said, 'unless someone explains it to me?' So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. The eunuch was reading this passage of Scripture:

'He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before the shearer is silent, so he did not open his mouth. In his humiliation he was deprived of justice. Who can speak of his descendants? or his life was taken from the earth.'

*The eunuch asked Philip, 'Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?' Then Philip **began with that very passage of Scripture** and told him the **good news** about Jesus.*

*As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water. **Why shouldn't I be baptized?**' Philip said, 'If you believe, with all your heart, you may.' The eunuch answered, 'I believe that Jesus Christ is the son of God. And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing."*