Some Things You Won't Read About Baptism in the New Testament

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7. You won't read about any one being given a choice of "modes" of baptism because the Greek word for baptism means immersion or dipping. There are other Greek words for both sprinkling and pouring.

Please read these passages and be honest with yourself and with God's word. If we are wrong, correct us. If we are right, be sure to obey the word of God.

A Fifty-Year-Old Decision

by Gus Nichols

"People do not accidentally attend worship without missing one worship service for twenty years. They must have planned to always attend. Soon after I obeyed the gospel in the fall of 1909, I read of an old brother who had not missed going to worship a single Sunday in 41 years. That story caused me to resolve and to purpose in my heart that I would never miss the worship on a single Lord's Day as long as I lived, if possible to attend. I have missed four Sundays in over fifty years, and then it was because of illness.

Once I made that decision, the question has not come up as to whether I would attend church services or not. In fact, I did not decide last Lord's Day to go to worship, nor the Sunday before. That decision was made more than fifty years ago.

It is a sin for any member of the church to miss the worship unless he is unable to attend. The very nature of our religion is such that those who feel this is a burden need to be converted."

How To Make A Failure Out Of Life

- ✓ Follow the line of least resistance. Be neutral on moral and spiritual issues. Straddle the fence.
- ✓ Alienate yourself from the church membership. Go to church when you "feel" like it and when it is most convenient
- ✓ Indulge your carnal appetites. Take it easy on Sunday and never go to church. Be lazy and selfish. Accept the pleasures offered by the world.
- ✓ Look at the inconsistencies and sins of others. Pick flaws, find faults, and criticize. Ignore your own faults.
- ✓ Unite with worldly organizations.
- ✓ Become a member of some club or fraternity. They do lots of good, and you don't have to compromise your convictions to belong.
- ✓ Run around with people who have nothing to do with Christ and his church. Don't bring religion into your social life.
- ✓ Eclipse your salvation with worldly interests. After all, you have a living to make. Put dollars and business ahead of your commitment to Christ.

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