

Sunday School Live Lesson

February 8, 2026

Baptism and the Lord's Supper

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1 Corinthians 11:23-29**

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Questions for Us Today

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Have you been baptized?

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If so, when? If not, why not?

Sunday School Lesson Objective

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To understand and internalize God's messages for us today through these passages of Scripture, regarding Baptism and Holy Communion.

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Points of Information – Matthew

Matthew's original name was Levi. Before being called to discipleship by Jesus,

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Matthew was a tax collector – also known as a publican.

Matthew became one of the original Twelve Disciples of Jesus.

Points of Information – Matthew

Through the aid of the Holy Spirit, Matthew wrote a Gospel which set out to clearly identify Jesus as the Jewish Messiah Who had been foretold in ancient Scriptures – and Who was descended royally from King David.

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In a fitting closing, the Great Commission (“Go ye therefore...”) – from Jesus the Christ – is recorded in the final Verses of the Gospel according to Matthew (28:19-20).

Points of Information – Corinthians

Corinth is one of the four major cities noted in the New Testament, along with Antioch, Ephesus and Jerusalem.

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Corinth was a major city before and during the lifetime of the Apostle Paul. Today, the city has been rebuilt as New Corinth (pop. 30,000+), following the destruction of the old city by earthquakes and a later great fire.

Points of Information – Corinthians

Corinth is located on an isthmus (a relatively narrow strip of land) between two sizable bodies of water: the Gulf of Corinth and the Saronic Gulf.

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Many people – of various cultures, ethnicities, and religions – traveled to and through this commercial center. Moral depravity ensued, affecting even the church.

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Lesson Context – Matthew 3

17 This Chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew begins with John the Baptizer preaching repentance and rebuking the Pharisees and Sadducees.

This evangelist speaks as the forerunner for the Messiah.

Matthew 3:13 [NIV]

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John.

Matthew 3:14 [NIV]

But John tried to deter Him, saying, “I need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?”

Matthew 3:15 [NIV]

Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness.” Then John consented.

Matthew 3:16 [NIV]

As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. At that moment Heaven was opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on Him.

Matthew 3:17 [NIV]

And a Voice from Heaven said, “This is My Son, Whom I love; with Him I am well pleased.”

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Lesson Context – Matthew 28

The risen Jesus delivered the Great Commission to the Disciples – and *for us*.

Matthew 28:19 [NIV]

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Matthew 28:20 [NIV]

and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

The Christian Church

Lesson Context – 1 Corinthians 11

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The Apostle Paul corrected some in the church of Corinth regarding how they had mishandled the Lord's Supper. He shared what Jesus had taught regarding Holy Communion.

1 Corinthians 11:23 [NIV]

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread,

1 Corinthians 11:24 [NIV]

and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “This is My Body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”

1 Corinthians 11:25 [NIV]

In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, “This cup is the New Covenant in My Blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

1 Corinthians 11:26 [NIV]

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Corinthians 11:27 [NIV]

So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the Body and Blood of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 11:28 [NIV]

Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.

1 Corinthians 11:29 [NIV]

For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves.

Remember these things:

Let us never forget the significant importance of baptism.

Let us never forget the meaning and sanctity of Holy Communion.

Remember these things:

Let us be forever grateful for the sacrifices which Jesus made for us.

Let us be forever thankful for the privileges of Baptism and of Holy Communion.