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- The answer may be absolutely not
- The answer may be definitely yes
- To properly analyze this you need to first ask yourself (if you have been baptized) – why were you baptized?

Should I Be Re - baptized?

- **There are many reasons why people have been and are being baptized**
- **To somehow soothe one's conscience**
- **To please someone else – make others happy**
- **Some religions teach a person can be baptized for someone who has died and secure their salvation**
- **Because others are doing it**

Should I Be Re - baptized?

- **Some are baptized to join a church or a denomination**
- **As an “outward sign of an inward grace” – to show that one has already been saved**
- **In obedience to Jesus Christ**
- **To make one a child of God**
- **To have one’s sins forgiven**
- **Why were you baptized?**

Bible Baptism

- **What did Jesus teach about baptism for us today?**
- **Matthew 28:19-20**

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- 19 “Go therefore and **make disciples** of all the nations, **baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit**, 20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Mark 16:15-16

- 15 And He said to them, "Go into all the world and **preach the gospel** to all creation. 16 "**He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved**; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

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- What did the apostles and early disciples teach and practice in regard to baptism?
- The very first gospel sermon was preached by Peter and is at least partially recorded in Acts 2
- Acts 2:22-24

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- 22 "Men of Israel, listen to these words: **Jesus the Nazarene**, a man attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know--

Acts 2:22-24

- 23 this Man, delivered up by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, **you nailed to a cross** by the hands of godless men and **put Him to death**. 24 "And **God raised Him up again**, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.

Acts 2:36-38

- 36 "Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ-- this Jesus whom you crucified." 37 Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, **what shall we do?**"

Acts 2:36-38

- 38 And Peter said to them, "Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:40-41

- 40 And with many other words he solemnly testified and kept on exhorting them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation!" 41 So then, **those who had received his word were baptized**; and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Acts 8:1

- 1 And Saul was in hearty agreement with putting him [Stephen] to death. And on that day a great persecution arose against the church in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

Acts 8:4-5

- 4 Therefore, those who had been scattered went about **preaching the word**. 5 And Philip went down to the city of Samaria and **began proclaiming Christ** to them.

Acts 8:12-13

- 12 But **when they believed Philip preaching the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were being baptized**, men and women alike. 13 And even **Simon himself believed**; and **after being baptized**, he continued on with Philip; and as he observed signs and great miracles taking place, he was constantly amazed.

Acts 10:48

- 48 And **he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.** Then they asked him to stay on for a few days.

Acts 16:30-34

- 30 and after he brought them out, he said, "**Sirs, what must I do to be saved?**" 31 And they said, "**Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved**, you and your household." 32 And **they spoke the word of the Lord to him** together with all who were in his house.

Acts 16:30-34

- 33 And he took them that very hour of the night and washed their wounds, **and immediately he was baptized**, he and all his household. 34 And he brought them into his house and set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, having believed in God with his whole household.

Acts 18:8

- 8 And Crispus, the leader of the synagogue, **believed in the Lord** with all his household, and many of the Corinthians **when they heard were believing and being baptized.**

Acts 22:16

- 16 'And now why do you delay? Arise, and **be baptized, and wash away your sins**, calling on His name.'

Bible Baptism

- **There is not a single case of conversion recorded in the book of Acts where anyone was told to say “the sinners prayer”**
- **Told to “just believe on Jesus”**
- **Told that baptism did not have to be done – it would be their choice and they could if they wanted to when convenient**

Bible Baptism

- There is not a single case of conversion recorded in the book of Acts where anyone was told to be baptized into a church or denomination
- They were baptized into Christ and the Lord added them to His church
- What does the apostle Paul teach about baptism?
- Galatians 3:26-27

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- 26 For **you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.**
27 For all of you who were **baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.**

Colossians 2:8-13

- **8 See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men**, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ.

Colossians 2:8-13

- 9 For **in Him** all the fulness of Deity dwells in bodily form, 10 and **in Him** you have been made complete, and **He is the head** over all rule and authority; 11 and in Him you were also circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, in the removal of the body of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ;

Colossians 2:8-13

- 12 having been **buried with Him in baptism**, in which you were also **raised up with Him through faith** in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. 13 And when **you were dead in your transgressions** and the uncircumcision of your flesh, **He made you alive** together with Him, **having forgiven us all our transgressions**,

Romans 6:3-7

- 3 Or do you not know that all of us who have been **baptized into Christ Jesus** have been baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we have **been buried with Him through baptism into death**, in order that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, **so we too might walk in newness of life.**

Romans 6:3-7

- 5 For if we have become **united with Him in the likeness of His death**, certainly **we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection**, 6 knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, **that our body of sin might be done away with**, that we should no longer be slaves to sin; 7 for he who has died is freed from sin.

Bible Baptism

- The apostle Peter compared our baptism to Noah and his family going through the flood and leaving a world of sin behind to go into a new world that was free from sin
- I Peter 3:21

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- 21 And corresponding to that, **baptism now saves you--** not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but **an appeal to God for a good conscience-- through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,**

Should I Be Re-baptized ?

- What must I do to be saved from sin?
- Just believe in Jesus?
- Just turn away from sin – repent?
- Just confess our faith in Jesus?
- Just be baptized?
- It is not just and of these but they all work together

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- **We must believe on the Lord Jesus**
- **Romans 10:9-10**

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Should I Be Re-baptized ?

- **Have you been baptized?**
- **If not, why not?**
- **If you have, why were you baptized?**
- **Examine your heart and compare it to the Bible – was it for the right reason?**

Should I Be Re-baptized ?

- If you have not been baptized for the right reason it is the same as having never been baptized at all
- Acts 19:3-5

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- 3 And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" And they said, "Into John's baptism." 4 And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in Him who was coming after him, that is, in Jesus." 5 And when they heard this, **they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.**

Should I Be Re-baptized ?

- If you are not right with God this morning, please come to Jesus and confess your faith in Him
- Turn from sin in repentance
- Be baptized into Jesus Christ and have your sins forgiven
- Then live a new life in Him