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1. Baptism signifies _____.
2. Baptism signifies _____ to Christ as Lord.
3. Baptism signifies _____ of sin.
4. Baptism signifies our _____ with Christ.
 - a. Our _____ with Christ in His _____.
 - b. Our _____ with Christ in His _____.
5. Baptism signifies our union with the _____.



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As a sign, what does baptism signify?

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Repentance is a change of mind
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To be Lord is to be master,
to be the authority.

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Sin is washed away when a person repents and appeals to God for a clean conscience.

Baptism is the visible sign of this washing of forgiveness.

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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.

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immersion into the body of
Christ, which is the church.

A bedroom scene with a wooden bed, a brick wall, and a window with red curtains. A 'STOP' sign and a 'YIELD' sign are mounted on the wall. A wooden nightstand with a lamp is visible on the left. A red and black plaid bag is on the floor near the bed.

**Baptism identifies us as God's people:
It signifies that we belong to Him,
that we have life in Him, and that
we belong to one another.**