

God's Plan of Salvation for Me

The following is an email sent to me by Jill. She has a friend who was baptized last night in Pacific Grove and she shared with her the meaning of her baptism and the change it has brought in her life.

When we become a child of God we are "...a new creation: the old has gone, the new has come!" (2 Corinthians 5:17) As we live our life on this earth and know we still have the worldly and physical struggles, our hearts and minds are focused on things above. (Colossians 3:1-4) If there is one thing I know about Jill, she does not take things lightly but studies so that she knows what she believes and why. That is a great example for us all. This is truly the message of what is called Easter. Thank you, Jill, for your thoughts.

1. I HEARD the Gospel and my problem of being lost in sin;
 2. I BELIEVED that which I heard. That Jesus Christ is the son of God. Through the death, burial & resurrection of Jesus Christ, I believe in the body of Christ;
 3. I REPENTED for my sins. I wanted to change my life...I had a change of mind, produced by Godly sorrow;
 4. I CONFESSED that I believed that Jesus Christ is the son of God (Acts 8:34); I acknowledged this belief to those present at my small, intimate ceremony on Oct 5, 2013;
 5. I was BAPTIZED and my sins were washed away and I was saved.
 6. When I came up after being baptized, I walked in the newness of life;
 7. I made an absolute commitment to God to live FAITHFULLY, giving my all to the life of the Lord. To me, this meant that I would (and do) ATTEND church & bible study regularly, I GIVE to the Church of Christ, I WORSHIP, I STUDY, and I TEACH God's word. But most of all I GIVE MY ALL!
- Our God is a forgiving God. By taking the body and blood of Christ each week, my sins are washed away. I am learning Gods word and am trying to be the best person I can be. And this is what God's plan of Salvation means to me.