

HERITAGE AT JIMMY JOHNS 2023

Baptisms Weekend

¹⁸Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ **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,** ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” **Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)**

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And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized...
Acts 22:16 (NIV)

*That's what baptism into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus; when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus. Each of us is raised into a light-filled world by our Father so that we can see where we're going in our new grace-sovereign country. Could it be any clearer? **Our old way of life was nailed to the cross with Christ,** a decisive end to that sin-miserable life—no longer captive to sin's demands!*

What we believe is this: If we get included in Christ's sin-conquering death, we also get included in his life-saving resurrection. We know that when Jesus was raised from the dead it was a signal of the end of death-as-the-end. Never again will death have the last word. When Jesus died, he took sin down with him, but alive he brings God down to us. From now on, think of it this way: Sin speaks a dead language that means nothing to you; God speaks

*your mother tongue, and you hang on every word. **You are dead to sin and alive to God.** That's what Jesus did.*

Romans 6:3-11 (MSG)