"He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved ..." Mk 16:16

"Repent, and let each of you be baptized...for the forgiveness of your sins..." Ac 2:38

"Get up and be baptized, and wash away your sins..." Ac 22:16

Error: "The thief on the cross was saved without being baptized, so we do not have to be baptized to be saved."

- Not baptized...? Mt 3:5,6
- "a covenant ... is never in force while the one who made it lives." Heb 9:16,17; 1Co 11:25
- Pattern for all? "make restitution in full...guilt offering"
 Lev 6:1-7; 2Ch 30:18-20
- Universal law: Mt 28:19; Mk 16:15,16

Error: "Baptism is a symbol or figure that we have ALREADY been saved."

NO scripture says that. 1Pt 3:21...? See Gen 7:17
What 1Pt 3:21 DOES say...

KJV, The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us
NKJV, There is also an antitype which now saves us—baptism
NAS95, corresponding to that, baptism now saves you
ASV, which also after a true likeness doth now save you, even baptism
ESV, Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you

"bap. NOW SAVES you" vs. "bap. does NOT save you"...?

Error: "Baptism is necessary to obey Christ, but NOT to be saved."

- Told? Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 22:16
- Urgency! Ac 2:41; 8:36-38; 16:33; 22:16
- Rejoice AFTER: Ac 2:42, 8:39; 9:19; 16:34
- Later letters confirming: Rom 6:3,4; Gal 3:26,27; 1Pt 3:20-21
- Not one example to the contrary

Why study...?

- Remind 2Pt 1:12
- Confirm Ac 18:27-28
- Prepare Ac 5:42...8:4