

The Scroll of the Baptized

Choose Your First Gate

Baptism is not the finish line.

It is the beginning.

The waters do not mark the end of the journey; they mark the death of the old life and the birth of the new. The seeker has searched. The repentant has turned. The covenant has been made. Now the walk begins.

From Adam forward, the covenant people entered into sacred relationships with TMH through obedience and faith. The prophets walked it. The disciples walked it. The saints walked it. Now the path stands open before you.

The waters behind you testify that you have chosen a different road.

A road of faith instead of fear.

A road of obedience instead of rebellion.

A road of truth instead of confusion.

Yet baptism alone is not the destination.

The covenant must be lived.

The Holy Spirit becomes the teacher.

The word becomes the guide.

Trials become lessons.

Correction becomes growth.

Service becomes purpose.

Every gate ahead represents a season of development.

Some will learn endurance.

Some will learn stewardship.

Some will learn watchmanship.

Some will learn leadership.

Some will learn sacrifice.

Some will learn how to serve quietly while heaven prepares them for greater assignments.

No two journeys are identical, but every covenant walker travels the same foundation.

Faith.

Prayer.

Study.

Obedience.

Charity.

Humility.

Endurance.

Service.

These are not merely traits to collect. They are qualities to become.

The Kingdom is not built by spectators.

It is built by disciples.

Therefore choose your gate wisely.

Walk with a willing heart.

Learn with a teachable spirit.

Endure with patience.

And remember that the covenant you entered in the water was never meant to remain a moment.

It was meant to become a way of life.

Precepts

Matthew 28:19–20

John 3:5

Acts 2:38

Romans 6:3–4

Galatians 3:27

2 Nephi 31:5–21

Mosiah 18:8–10

Moroni 6:1–4

Doctrine and Covenants 20:37

Doctrine and Covenants 39:6

Next Step: Choose Your First Gate.