

Biblical Basis – God’s covenant of grace requires it. Every man and woman is bound by God’s covenant law and we are born unclean as a result of the first Adam’s sin.

- Every Old Testament covenant (administration of the Covenant of Grace included children.
- Jesus clearly says covenant infants are members of his kingdom.
- Peter plainly says in Acts that children are to remain in the New Testament covenant.
- By faith, not biological descent children are included in the covenant.
- Thousands of Infant baptisms and whole household baptisms occurred in the Old and New Testament.

Old Testament infant baptisms – Baby Moses in the basket and an entire nation of babies as the nation of Israel passed through the Red Sea and were baptized. Noah’s family was the first whole household baptism. And the entire nation was circumcised on several occasions. Thousands of whole household cleanliness baptisms were performed in the OT.

New Testament infant baptisms – I think baby Jesus was baptized since Moses prefigured Christ, and thousands of whole households that included thousands of babies were baptized.

- When should infants be baptized? As soon as possible.
- Does baptism save? Yes. It saved the children of Israel that passed through the Red Sea from Pharaoh’s Army. Only baptized people entered the Promise Land. It saved Noah and his family. And by faith, by the water and the word it saves all of God’s elect to include infants.