

## Water Baptism

### John's Baptism and Acts Period Baptisms Compared

<u><b>Similarities:</b></u>	<b>* John's Baptism *</b>	<b>* Acts Baptism *</b>
<b>Repentance:</b>	<b>"Repent" <i>Matt 3:2-11</i></b>	<b>"Repent" <i>Acts 2:38</i></b>
<b>Repentance for forgiveness of sins:</b>	<b>"baptism ... for the remission of sins" <i>Mark 1:4</i></b>	<b>"be baptized ... for the remission of sins" <i>Acts 2:38</i></b>
<b>Kingdom was near on condition of repentance:</b>	<b>"Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" <i>Matt 3:2</i></b>	<b>"Repent ye ... and He shall send Jesus Christ" <i>Acts 3:19,20</i></b>
<b>Both spoke first to local Jews:</b>	<b>"Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judea, and all the region round about Jordan" <i>Matt 3:5</i></b>	<b>"Ye men of Judea" <i>Acts 2:14</i></b>
<u><b>Difference:</b></u>	<b>* John's Baptism*</b>	<b>* Acts Baptism *</b>
<b>Chronology:</b>	<b>Looked to the Messiah which was yet to come - "He that <u>cometh after</u> me..." <i>Matt 3:11</i></b>	<b>Recognised that Jesus of Nazareth was that Messiah who had already come. "God <u>hath made</u> that same Jesus Whom ye crucified both Lord and Christ". People respond – "what shall we do?" Peter's answer – "Repent and be baptized." <i>Acts 2:36-38</i></b>