

“If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God...” (1 Peter 4:11).

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Frequency of the Lord’s Supper

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Concerning the Lord’s supper, Acts 20:7 says, “... upon the first day of the week...” Some want to argue about the frequency because the text does not say *every* first day. Yet, 1 Corinthians 16:2 uses the same language in reference to the collection and most do that every week!

At Richards Farm
Restaurant in Casey, Illinois,

the three plaques pictured above hang on the wall. Notice what they say:

*“Rotary Meets Here
Tuesday 12:00 Noon”*

*“Lions Meet Here
Tuesday 6:30”*

*“Kiwanis Meets Here
Wednesday 12:00 PM”*

Would you have any

difficulty knowing how often these groups meet? The plaques do not say *every* Tuesday or *every* Wednesday. They do not have to. It is implied. Rotarians and Lions know that every week has a Tuesday and Kiwanis know that every week has a Wednesday. In like manner, we know that every week has a Sunday!

When Folks Were Baptized

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Some have asked, "When should I be baptized?" Let's take a look at when folks in the New Testament were baptized.

1) **When They Gladly Received the Word.** Acts 2 finds the apostles preaching to Jews out of every nation under heaven. With pricked hearts they asked, "...what shall we do?" (Acts 2:37). "Repent, and be baptized...", they were told (Acts 2:38). "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized..." (Acts 2:41). When you gladly receive the word, you will be baptized!

2) **The Same Day.** Acts 2:41 continues, "...and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls." They were not baptized the next month, the next week or even the

next day; they were baptized *the same day!*

3) **When They Believed.** Acts 8 reports the spread of the gospel to Samaria. Notice when the Samaritans were baptized. Verse 12 says, "...when they believed Philip preaching... they were baptized..." When you believe gospel preaching, it is time to be baptized.

4) **Immediately.** Ananias asked Saul, "And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized..." (Acts 22:16). Acts 9:18 relates, "And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized."

5) **The Same Hour of the Night.** Acts 16 records a

midnight jail scene. Verse 33 says of the jailer, "And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized..." (Acts 16:33).

6) **Straightway.** Again in Acts 16:33 it is said the jailer "...was baptized, he and all his, straightway." That is immediately, forthwith, instantly, without delay.

7) **When They Heard.** Acts 19:5 states concerning the Ephesians, "When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus."

These heard one sermon, believed one sermon, and obeyed one sermon! The immediacy of their baptism highlights the necessity of baptism. "And now why tarriest thou?"

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