

Comparison, Contrast, and Analysis of Circumcision and Baptism

Circumcision	Baptism
The parents bring the child to the priests in the Temple in order for them to fulfill the law of Moses. The piece of flesh is given as a sacrifice for the sake of the law and commandment of God.	In the spiritual manner, we offer to God our entire body for His service, law, and commandments. From this instant, we condition our bodies for the full service of God. Little by little, we commit our bodies for His service.
The rites of circumcision in the Old Testament involved the offering of a sacrifice. The sacrifice would vary depending on one's wealth and ability to afford such gifts. The most minimal and simplest sacrifice was a pair of doves or pigeons to be offered.	In the spiritual manner, the concept of sacrifice for the sake of following God is established. Further, the shedding of blood is necessary to be accepted back to God.
Circumcision was a happy and joyous event. It was establishing the covenant between God and the newborn. The newborn was added to the community and the Nation of Israel.	Baptism is an equally happy and joyous event. It was establishing the covenant between God and the newborn. The newborn was added to the community and the Church of Faithful Believers.
Our Lord Jesus Christ accepted unto Himself circumcision for our sake. To fulfill the law and commandment of God given to Moses.	Our Lord Jesus Christ accepted baptism as He also accepted circumcision. The act was not done for His sake (for forgiveness), but for our sake as an example.