

The background of the slide features a serene blue sky filled with soft, white, fluffy clouds. Below the horizon line, a body of water is shown with a series of concentric ripples emanating from a central point, suggesting a water drop has just fallen. The overall color palette is dominated by various shades of blue and white, creating a clean and peaceful atmosphere.

Baptism, Our Identification With Christ

Matthew 3:13-17

1) Why Should Persons Be Baptized?



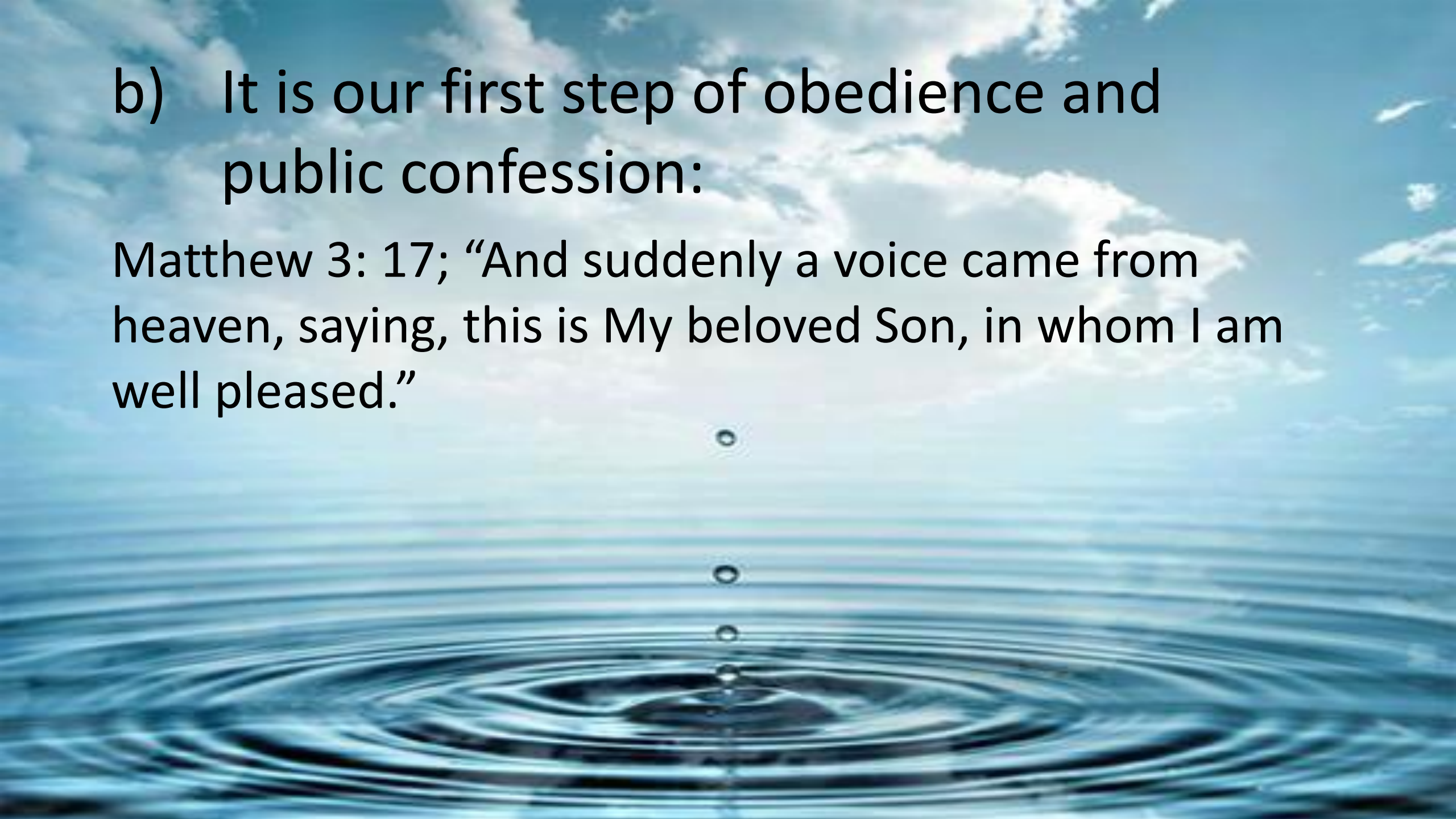
a) It identifies us with Christ:

Baptism illustrates a believer's identification with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection.

Romans 6:3-4; "Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."

b) It is our first step of obedience and public confession:

Matthew 3: 17; “And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, this is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”



c) It identifies us with His resurrection:

2 Cor. 5:17; “Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold all things are become new.”

Romans 6:4; “....even so we also should walk in newness of life.”

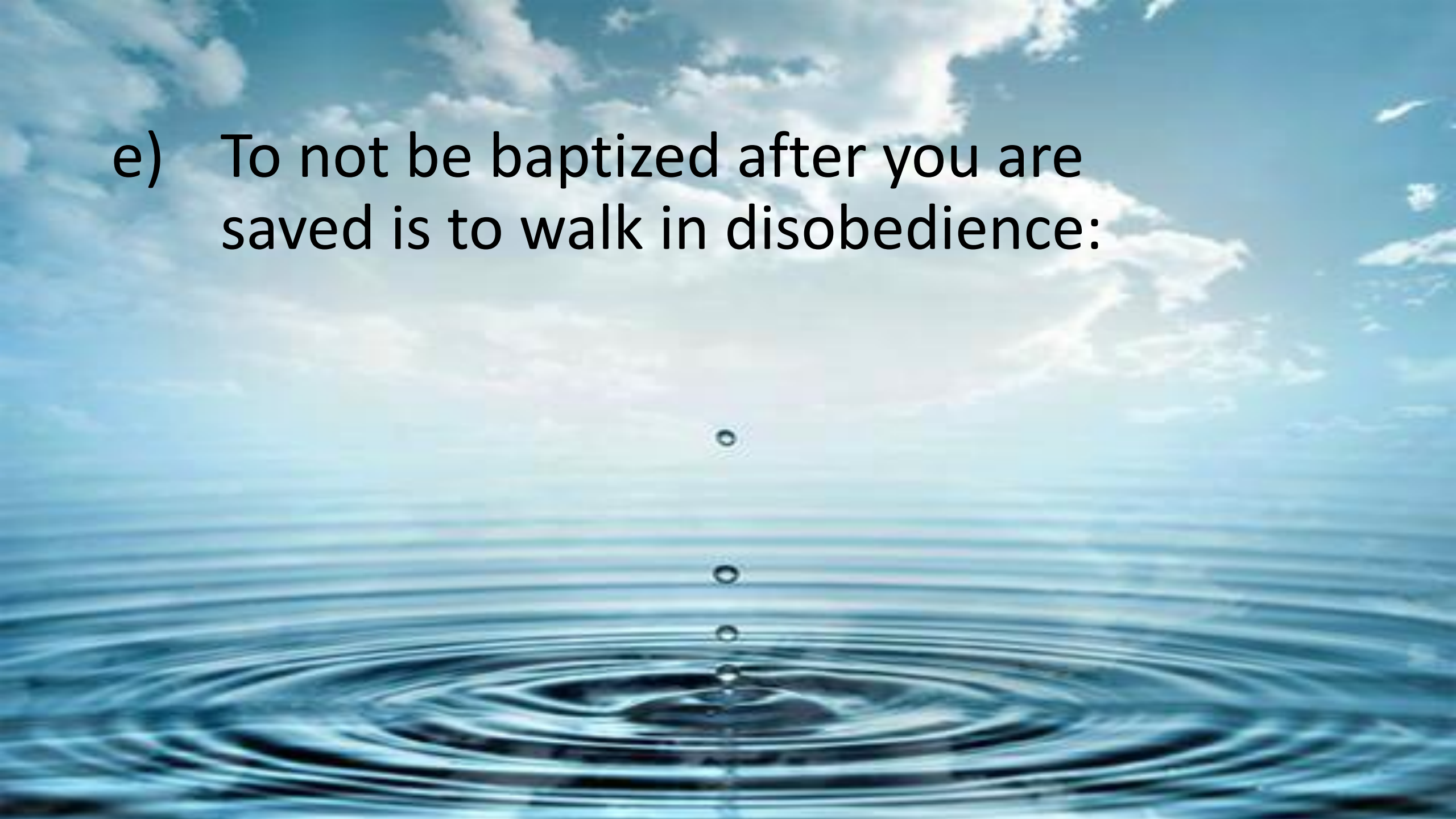
d) It identifies us with our new allegiance to our new Master:

Paul taught in the book of Philippians that after our new birth some exciting things happen in our lives.

Philippians 3:7-14

- A new beginning: v.7-9
- A new reason for living: v.10-11
- A new focus on life: v.12-14

e) To not be baptized after you are saved is to walk in disobedience:



2) When should you be baptized?



3) How should you be baptized?

