

Baptised εἰς God

MATTHEW 28:18-20

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Jesus told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore...

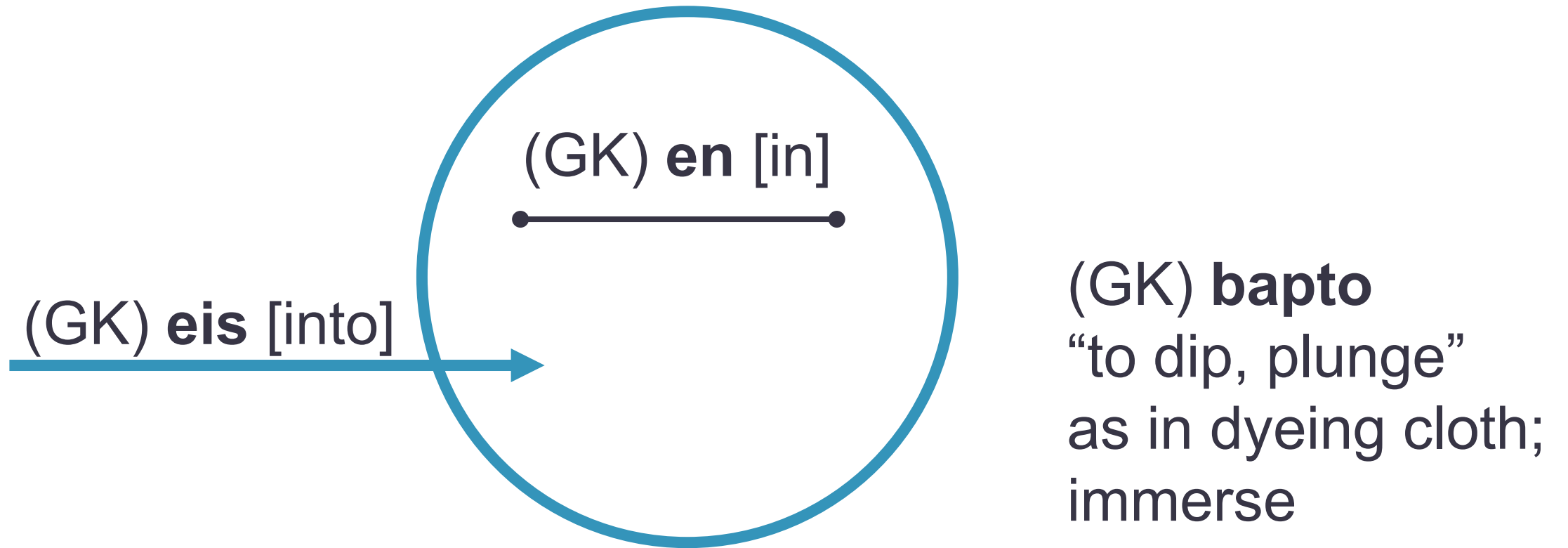
go and **make disciples** of all the nations,

- **baptizing** them **in** the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- **teaching** these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you.

And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

βαπτίζοντες αὐτοὺς εἰς τὸ ὄνομα...

baptising them into the name...



There are 59 Greek prepositions

Participation into Jesus' Baptism

After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened, and he saw the **Spirit of God** descending like a dove and settling on him. And a **voice from heaven** said, "This is my dearly loved **Son**, who brings me great joy."



Participation into Jesus' Baptism

When we were **joined with Christ** Jesus in baptism, we **joined him** in his death. For we died and were buried **with Christ** by baptism. And **just as** Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now **we also** may live new lives



*You will have many trials and sorrows. But have courage,
because I have overcome the world.*



Theosis: Participation in Life of God

...incorporation of God's people into the life and character of the God revealed in the cross

2 **Peter** 1:3-4 ...he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that **enable you to share his divine nature** and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires.

John 17:21 you are in me, Father, and I am in you. **And may they be in us...**

Paul uses the participationist language of "in Christ" which involved the transformative work of the Spirit (2 Cor 3:18, 5:21) and sharing in the glory of God.

Where we are: Acts 17:28 and Ephesians 3:18

Living in Space and Time in God

ABOVE

WITH

IN

Where we find God: the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit



The Mission of the (Anointed) Christ

Incarnation, Baptism, Crucifixion, and Resurrection

Pentecost, On Mission to the Ends of the Earth

Anointed Empowered and Missioned
(just as Jesus was by the Spirit)

- As we follow Jesus and learn from him
- We call others to join us as disciples





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Baptism changes who we are
Baptism joins us to God's mission



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