

## BAPTISM



**Raised right hand:** reaching up toward heaven, witnessing to heaven; also a token of an oath (see Genesis 14:22; Daniel 12:7)

**Immersion:** the death, burial, and Resurrection of Christ (see Romans 6:3–4); our spiritual rebirth in Christ (“born of water” [John 3:5])

**Water:** washing, cleansing, purification from sin

**White clothes:** purity (“there can no man be saved except his garments are washed white . . . [and] purified . . . through the blood of [Christ]” [Alma 5:21]); equality (whether rich or poor, all wear the same clothing at baptism, for “all are alike unto God” [2 Nephi 26:33])

## CONFIRMATION

**Laying on of hands:** physical touch by those representing God, transferring blessings from God to others

**Receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost:** called “baptism of fire” (see 2 Nephi 31:13); cleansing and spiritual rebirth in Christ

