



Welcome to  
Rehoboth New  
Life Center

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# Paths of Righteousness

## Part 4: The Path of Trial

1 Peter 1:7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:



Psalms 23:2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

# The Path of Temptation

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## Temptations

Comes from the inside out.

Brings death.

Leads to a maturing of sin.

He does not bring the inner temptations; those come from within you.

- James 1:13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:
- 14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.
- 15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.
- 16 Do not err, my beloved brethren.
- 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.



# The Path of Trial(Testing)

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## Trials

Comes from the outside and moves into your life.

Brings life.

Leads to maturity.

God brings the outward trials into your life.

- Luke 4:1 ¶ And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,
- 2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered.
- 3 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread.
- 4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.

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- Exodus 15:22 ¶ So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water.
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# The Valley of Elah

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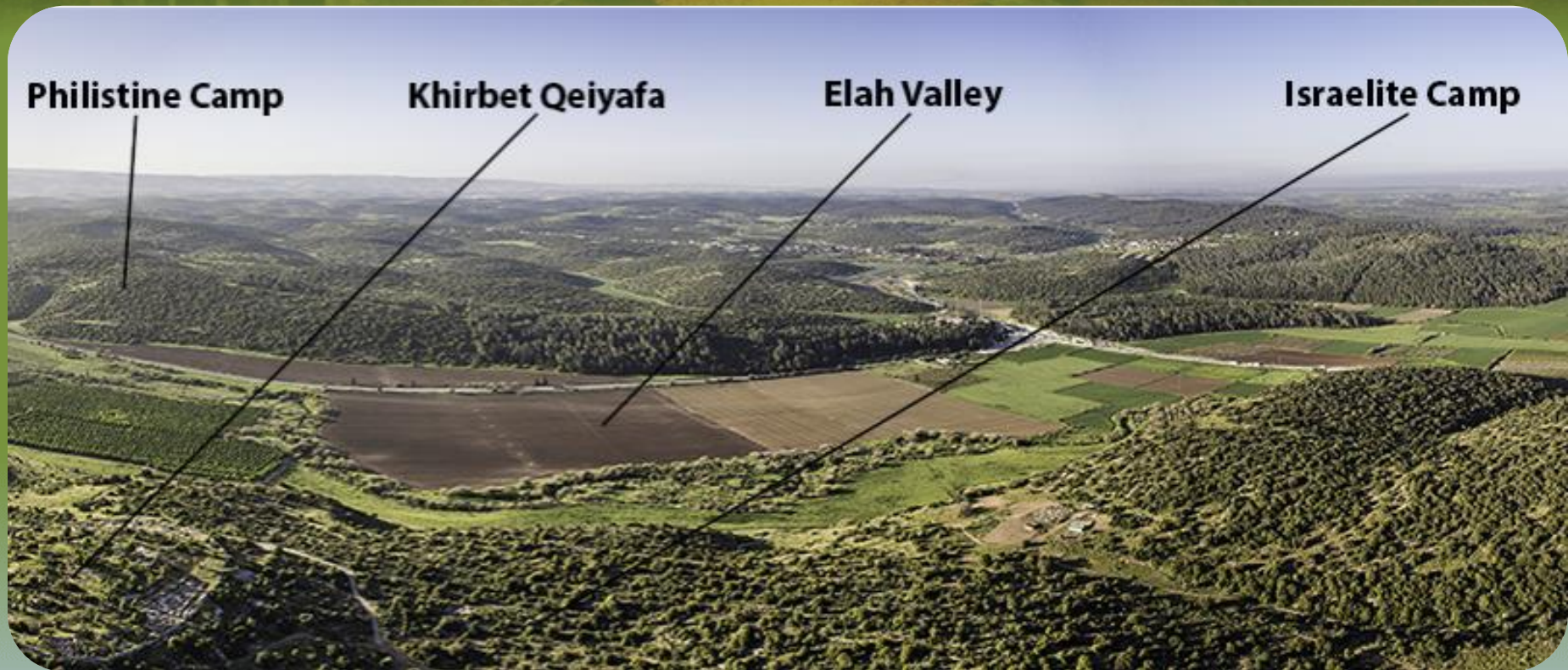


1 Samuel 17:1 Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which belongeth to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephesdammim.



# The Valley Experience

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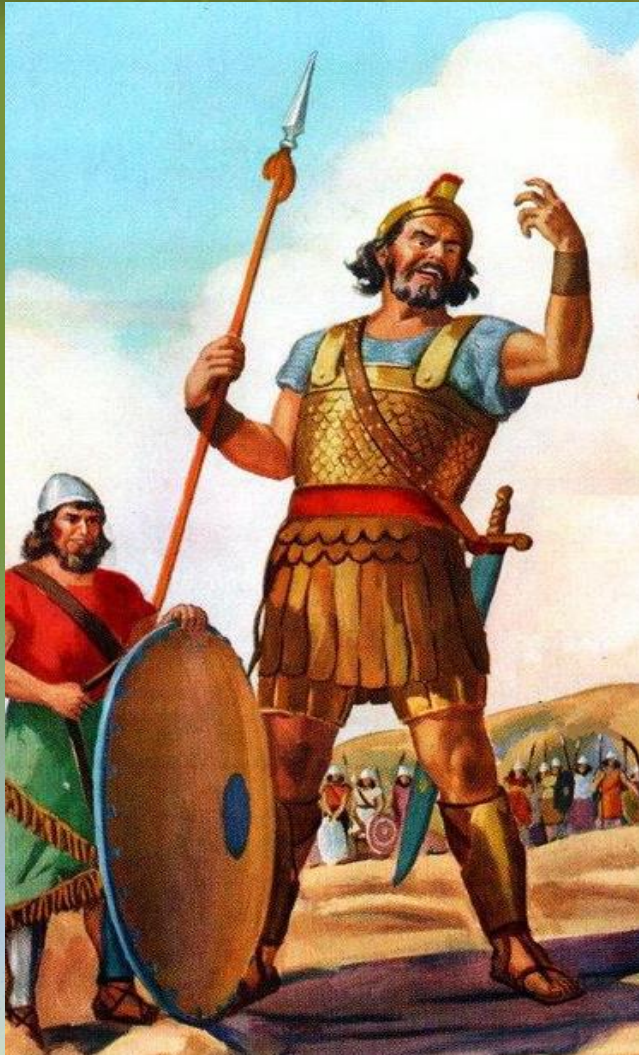


3 And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and there was a valley between them.



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- 1 Samuel 17:4 And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.
- 5 And he had an helmet of brass upon his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of brass.
- 6 And he had greaves of brass upon his legs, and a target of brass between his shoulders.
- 7 And the staff of his spear was like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a shield went before him.



# The forty day trial

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Rain fell for "forty days and forty nights" during the Flood.  
(Genesis 7:4)  
Spies explored the land of Israel for "forty days."  
(Numbers 13:25)

- 1 Samuel 17:16 And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days.
- Luke 4:2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered.
- Acts 1:3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:



# The Time of Testing/Time of Warning

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## 40 in the Bible


Old Testament

 Noah

 Moses

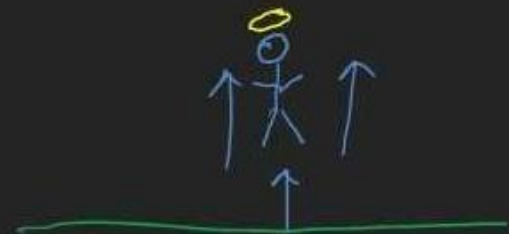
 Israelites in Desert

 Elijah

 Jonah in Nineveh

New Testament







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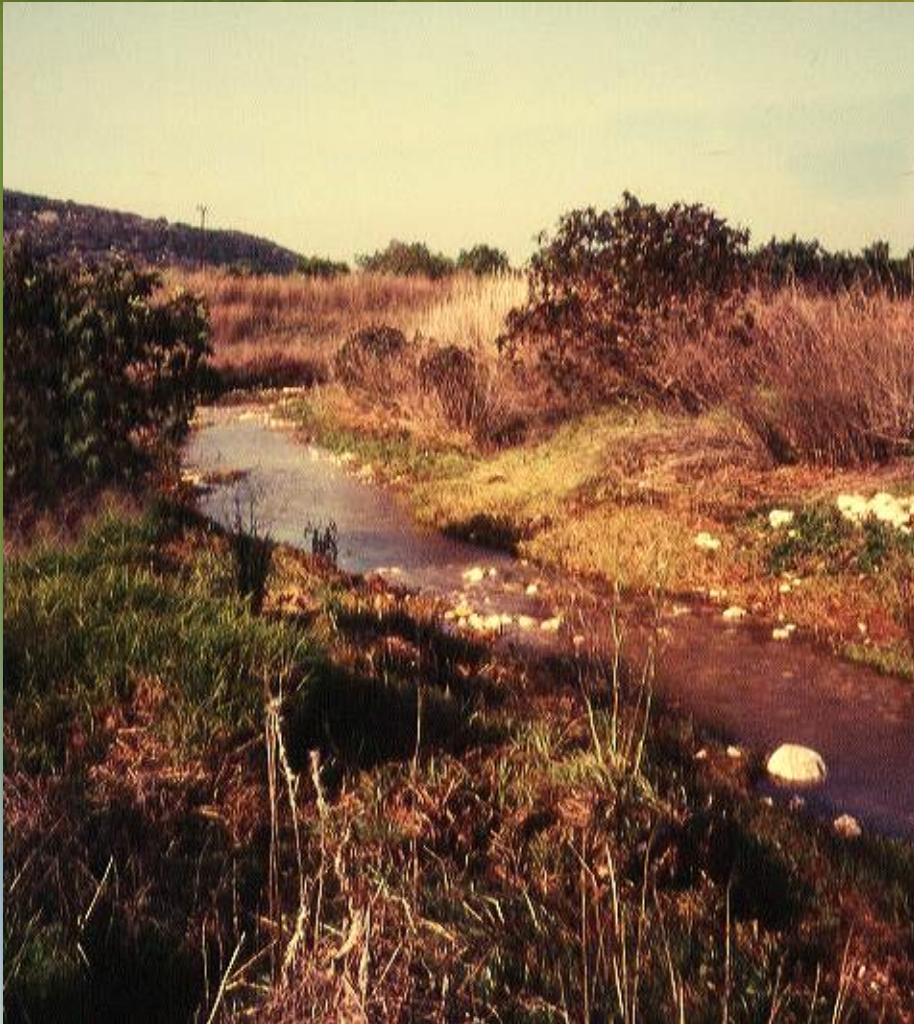
### Major Occurrences of "40" in the Bible

Scripture	Time	Event
Gen 7:4,12,17	40 days	Noah's Flood
Gen 50:3	40 days	Joseph mourns for his father Jacob's death
Acts 7:23	40 years	Moses spends first 40 years in Egypt
Exod 7:7	40 years	Moses spends 40 years in Midian hiding
Exod 24:18	40 days	Moses on mount Sinai to receive the law
Deut 9:18,25	40 days	Moses on mount Sinai after the sin of the golden calf
Num 13:25	40 days	Israelite spies search the land of Canaan
Num 14:34	40 years	God's judges the Israelites to Wander in the Wilderness
Deut 34:7	40 years	Moses spends last 40 years wandering in the wilderness
Judg 3:11	40 years	The land rested from war in the days of Othniel
Judg 5:31	40 years	The land rested from war in the days of Deborah & Barak
Judg 8:28	40 years	The land rested from war in the days of Gideon
Judg 13:1	40 years	Oppression by the Philistines
1 Sam. 4:18	40 years	Judgeship of Eli
Acts 13:21	40 years	Reign of Saul
2 Sam 5:4	40 years	Reign of David
1 Kings 11:42	40 years	Reign of Solomon
2 Kings 12:1	40 years	Reign of Jehoash
1 Sam 17:16	40 days	Goliath challenges the Israelites
1 Kings 19:8	40 days	Elijah in mount Horeb [Sinai]
Jonah 3:4	40 days	Jonah preached to Nineveh
Ezek 4:6	40 days	Ezekiel lay on his side to symbolize Judah's iniquity
Ezek 4:6	40 years	Iniquity of Judah
Matt 4:2	40 days	Jesus tempted by the devil
Acts 1:3	40 days	Jesus seen of his disciples after the resurrection



# The Brook Of Elah

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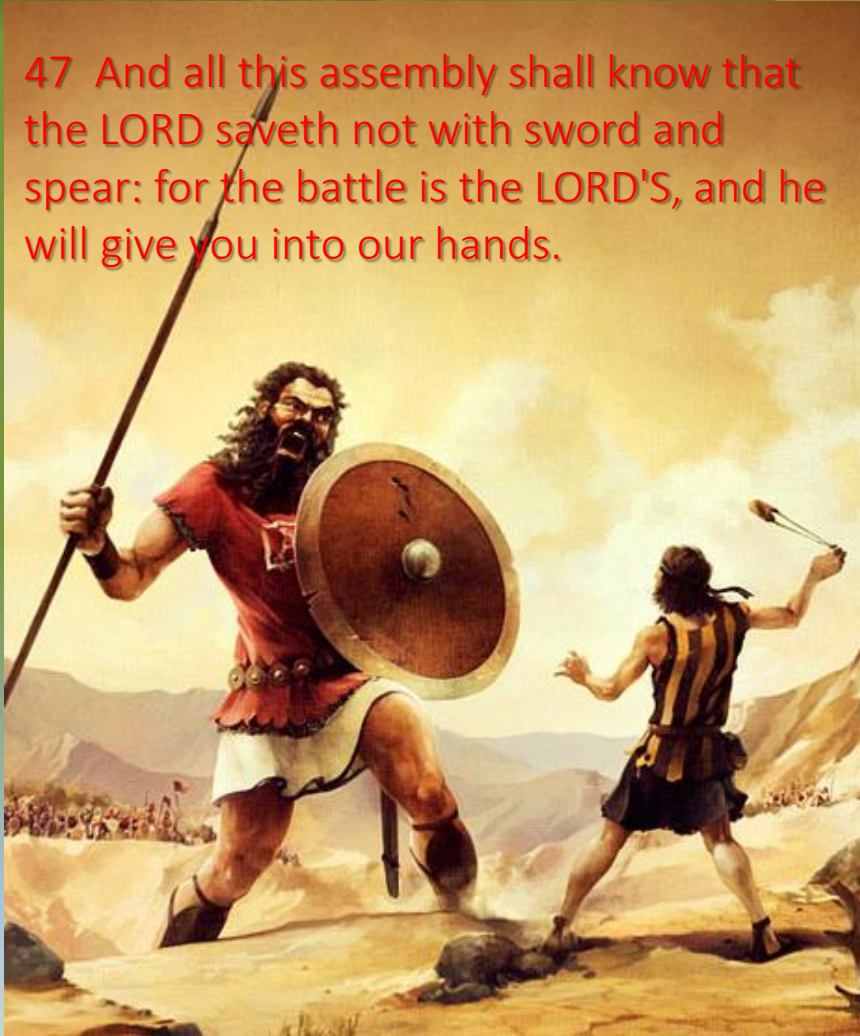
- 1 Samuel 17:39 And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go; for he had not proved it. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; for I have not proved them. And David put them off him.
- 40 ¶ And he took his staff in his hand, and chose **him five smooth stones out of the brook**, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine.



# The Valley of the Shadow of Death

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47 And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the LORD'S, and he will give you into our hands.

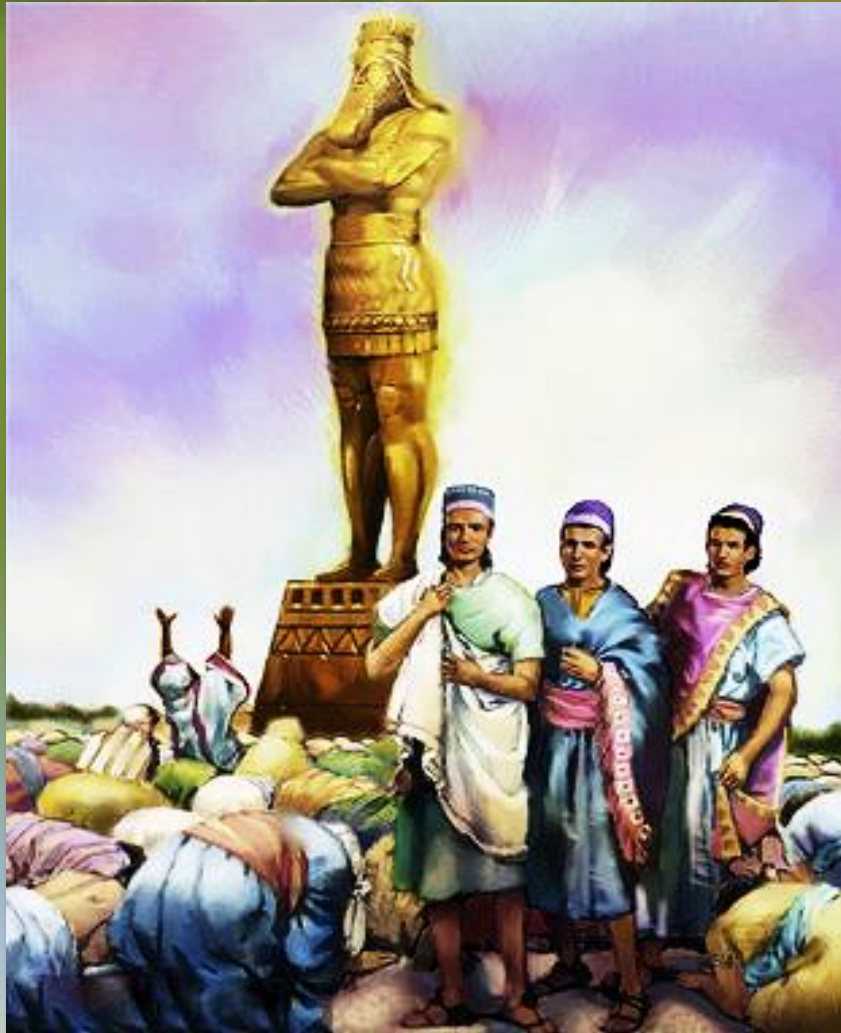


- 1 Samuel 17:42 And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him: for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance.
- 43 And the Philistine said unto David, Am I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.
- 44 And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field.
- 45 Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied.



# The Trial Of Fire

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- Daniel 3:16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter.
- 17 If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king.
- 18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

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- DANIEL 3:19 ¶Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.
- 20 And he commanded the most mighty men that were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace.
- 25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; **and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.**



# The Cup of Christ

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Matthew 16:24 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

- Mark 10:38 But Jesus said unto them, Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?
- Mark 10:39 And they said unto him, We can. And Jesus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized: