

Answers to Catholic IQ:

1. **a)** Descending into the tomb and dying to sin is most easily seen when a person is dunked completely underwater in a Baptism by immersion. Emerging from the water, the person is born again to a new life in Christ. Baptism by immersion, the most ancient custom, is obviously not used with infants, who have water poured on their heads. The effect is the same (see CCC, 628).
2. **b)** The newly baptized Christian receives the light of Christ so that he or she no longer lives in the darkness of sin.
3. **b)** St. Paul, who viciously attacked Jesus' first followers, told the story of his conversion often in his ministry to show how no one is beyond the mercy of God.
4. **d)** The first Christians thought Jesus' message was only for the Jews. The Baptism of Cornelius signaled a major change in their thinking, recognizing that the Gospel was for all people.
5. **d)** Through Baptism, Christians begin to share their life in the Blessed Trinity.