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I. Denominational Labels

A. _____

B. _____

II. The Baptist Distinctives

A. Functions

1. The distinctives _____ Baptists _____

2. The distinctives _____ as a _____

B. Descriptions

1. Absolute _____ of the _____

2. Believer _____

3. _____ church _____

4. _____ Christian _____

5. _____ government

6. Separation of _____ and _____

III. Personal Convictions

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I. The Appeal for Authority on Faith and Church Order

II. The Method of Interpretation of Scripture

A. _____ the method

1. _____ the method

2. _____ the method

B. _____ the method

1. Rule one: _____ passages should interpret _____ passages

2. Rule two: _____ passages should interpret _____ passages

3. Rule three: _____ passages should interpret _____ passages

III. Conclusion

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I. Baptists and New Testament Authority

II. The Sufficiency of Scripture

A. _____ and _____ dispute

B. _____ Baptists

C. The Baptist _____

III. Biblical Evidence for the Sufficiency of Scripture

A. Explanation of the _____

B. _____ responses to the heresy

1. Restrict _____ and _____ to what is _____

2. Recognize the _____ of _____

3. Reject new _____ or _____

C. _____ from the Colossian controversy

IV. Parameters of the Sufficiency of Scripture for Today

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I. Proper Subjects: Believers

- A. Commands to baptize believers are _____
- B. Commands to baptize _____ are absent
- C. Baptism's connection to _____ precludes infant baptism
- D. Early church _____ don't mention _____ baptism

II. Proper Meaning: Identification with Christ

III. Proper Mode: Immersion

- A. The meaning and use of _____
- B. The meaning determines the _____
1. Meaning demands _____
 2. _____ for immersion
- C. The _____ practiced immersion

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I. Biblical Basis for Church Membership

II. Church Covenant

A. Reasons for a covenant

1. _____ to be a _____
2. _____ on what it _____ to _____ a _____

B. _____

III. Regenerate Membership

A. _____ from Scripture

B. Practice

1. _____
2. _____

IV. Baptized Membership

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I. The Church Expects Members to Grow

II. The Church Disciplines Erring Members

A. For _____

1. Step one:

2. Step two:

3. Step three:

4. Step four:

B. For _____

1. The church's _____

2. The church's _____

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I. Views on the Lord's Table

A. _____ view

B. _____ view

C. _____ and _____ view

D. _____ view

II. The Meaning of the Lord's Table

A. _____ for the observance

B. _____ of the observance

C. _____ with Jesus

III. The Participants at the Lord's Table

A. Views on who should _____

B. Reasons for _____ communion

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I. The Function of _____

II. The Priesthood of _____

III. Access to God

A. Personal _____

B. _____ prayer

IV. Sacrifices of Believer Priests

A. Presenting their _____ to God

B. Spending themselves on _____ of _____

C. Sharing the _____

D. Giving _____ gifts

E. _____ God

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I. Personal _____

II. Spiritual _____

III. Teachers and Learners

A. _____ on teaching and learning

B. Factors for learning levels

1. _____ skills

2. _____ for study

3. _____ maturity _____

IV. Church Standards

A. The church is a _____ association

B. Voluntary associations are defined by their _____

C. _____ is preserved by the _____ to _____

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I. Baptist Polity

A. Distinct among _____

B. Distinct from _____

II. Congregational Competence

A. Church members have individual _____

B. Church members made _____

III. Congregational Authority in the New Testament

A. Congregations _____ servants

1. Clear examples

2. Questionable examples

B. Congregations _____ servants _____

C. Congregations held _____

D. Congregations practiced _____

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I. The Identity of the Office

II. The Number of Elders per Church

A. _____

B. _____ church practices

C. Evidence from _____ passages

III. Pastoral Authority

A. Authority lies in _____ and _____

B. Authority is _____ through _____

C. Authority over teaching is _____

D. Authority is _____ with _____ rule

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I. Qualifications for Deacons

- A. _____
- B. _____ husband
- C. _____
- D. _____
- E. _____

II. The Function of Deacons

- A. Negatively
- B. Positively
 - 1. _____
 - 2. Facilitators and _____

III. Deacon Training

IV. Deacons and Other Offices

- A. Deacons should not _____ a _____
- B. Non-deacons should not _____ _____

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I. Historical Background

- A. Period of the _____ church
- B. _____
- C. Baptists in _____
- D. Baptists _____

II. The Nature of True Devotion

- A. Jesus emphasized need for inner religion
 - 1. In a _____
 - 2. With a _____
- B. Governmental threats cannot _____ religion

III. The Precedent of the New Testament

- A. Pattern in the book of Acts
 - 1. Apostles _____ the court's _____
 - 2. Peter escaped _____
 - 3. Paul and Silas did not _____ favors
 - 4. Paul did not _____ to ecclesiastical _____
- B. Lack of _____ for union