Deacon's Beacons

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And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38

This is an example of how opinions differ about Baptism. Here Peter is saying to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. In the Great Commission, the end of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. We as the Catholic Church follow the latter form. And we accept any baptism done in that form. Some Pentecostal Churches follow the form in Acts. Does it really matter in the larger scheme? I cannot say. But if someone comes to us requesting to become Catholic and was baptized under the first form, we would baptize that person again.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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