

IMPORTANT COMBINATIONS

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Combinations are a part of our daily lives. There are number combinations, color combinations, chemical combinations, money combinations, etc. Certain results are dependent on the proper combinations. Without one element or another, the desired result will not happen. Notice some important combinations:

$$2 + 3 = 5$$

Red + Green = Yellow

Sodium + Chlorine = Salt

Nickel + Dime = 15 cents

Belief + Baptism = Salvation

Each element in these combinations is absolutely vital to producing the result. You cannot have 5 without a 2 and a 3; you cannot have yellow without both red and green; you cannot have salt without combining sodium and chlorine; you cannot have 15 cents without adding a nickel to a dime; and, you cannot have salvation without belief followed by baptism (Mark 16:16). 2 without 3 is not 5, red cannot make yellow without green, chlorine alone without sodium is a deadly chemical, a dime is 5 cents short of 15 cents, and belief alone will never save an individual without water baptism (see James 2:24). If we can understand and accept the first four combinations as true, why is it so hard for so many to understand and accept the last one? The truth is always the truth.