The Weapons Of Our Warfare

FAITH ONLY SALVATION

John A. Welch



Introduction

It is our hope that this volume of debate charts will be of use in sermons and study. Many minds were used in preparing these charts. Some of them are borrowed and the specific source forgotten. Some of the men whose thoughts are here represented include: Weldon Warnock, Larry Hafley, Harry Lewis, L. A. Stauffer, Bob Dickey, Robert Hines, Ferrell Jenkins, Greg Gwin, Roy Cogdill along with myself and others. Art work should be credited to Bob Dickey or Rick Phillabaum.

These charts were prepared for the Welch-Russell debate. This debate used a standard Missionary Baptist proposition arguing that faith is the last requirement of salvation. Because of this many of the charts are slanted to the requirements of this particular proposition. This debate is in print and some of these charts will have been seen before, while some of these were not used in the debate and therefore have not been seen.

Wield the sword well.

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RESOLVED: The Scriptures teach that faith in Christ is the last condition of remission of sins of an alien sinner.

Affirms: W. T. Russell

Denied: John A. Welch



RESOLVED: The Scriptures teach that baptism in water is necessary for the remission of sins of the alien sinner.

Affirms: John A. Welch

Denies: W. T. Russell



THE FAITH THAT DOES NOT SAVE

BELIEVE-WON'T CONFESS — John 12:42

WEAK FAITH — Romans 4:19 LITTLE FAITH — Matthew 16:8 DEAD FAITH — James 2:26

DOUBTING FAITH — Matthew 14:31;

Luke 12:28

ERRING FAITH — 1 Timothy 6:10;21 FEARFUL FAITH — Matthew 8:26

DENIED FAITH — 1 Timothy 5:8

SHIPWRECKED FAITH — 1 Timothy 1:19

BLOODMatthew 26:28

"FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS"

REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED Acts 2:38

Without shed blood no remission, Heb. 9:22 Without repentance and baptism no remission IF NOT, WHY NOT?

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GOD'S GRACE

TITUS 2:11-12
ROMANS 5:1-2
GALATIANS 5:6
"FAITH WORKING"

MAN'S FAITH

BRASS SERPENT-John 3:14-15 POOL OF SILOAM-John 9 JERICHO-Hebrews 11:30 SAMSON - Judges 13 - 16 BAPTISM - Mark 16: 15-16 NAAMAN- 2 Kings 5 NOAH - Hebrews 11:7

Obedience Nullifies Neither Grace Nor Faith But Unites Them

Cam That Waith Save Him?

UNMERCIFUL FAITH - vs. 15-16

DEAD FAITH-vs. 17,20,26

DEVILISH FAITH- v. 19

VAIN FAITH-v.20
UNJUSTIFIED FAITH-vs.21;24

IMPERFECT FAITH-v.22

THESE

ARE ACTS

OF HEART

IF FAITH IS LAST:

What produces prayer-Mt.21:22 What produces godly sorrow-2 Cor.7:10 What produces turning-Acts 11:21 What produces confession-Rm.10:9-10;14 What induces love - Jn. 8:31;42

IF SAVED BEFORE

REPENTANCE,

We shall all likewise perish - Luke 13:1-5

LOVE, (saved while hating the Lord)

We are nothing - 1 Corinthians 13:2 We are anathema to the Lord - 1 Corinthians 16:22

CONFESSION,

We are still antichrist - 2 John 2:23 Christ will deny us before the Father - Matthew 10:32-33

BAPTISM,

We have not washed away our sins - Acts 2:16

$PISTEUO ext{-}FAITH$

salvation in the kingdom of God, conjoined with obedience to Christ. the divinely appointed author of eternal of joyful trust, that Jesus is the Messiah man embraces Jesus, i.e. a conviction, full γ . used especially of the faith by which a

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"NEKROS"

WANTED:

DEAD or ALIVE

(OR IS IT "INACTIVE")

Mt. 23:27-FULL OF "INACTIVE" MEN'S BONES. Acts 20:9-EUTYCHUS WAS TAKEN UP "INACTIVE." Rev. 14:13-BLESSED ARE THE "INACTIVE" WHO DIE IN THE Lk. 12:17-LAZARUS WAS RAISED FROM THE "INACTIVE." I Th. 4:16-THE "INACTIVE" IN CHRIST SHALL RISE FIRST. Cor. 15:20-NOW IS CHRIST RISEN FROM THE "INACTIVE." AND THEIR INACTIVITY DOTH FOLLOW THEM LORD THAT THEY MAY REST FROM THEIR LACK OF LABOR 9:17-A WILL IS OF FORCE AFTER MEN ARE 'INACTIVE." 2:1-"INACTIVE" IN TRESPASSES AND SINS

3:26, 27

"FOR YE ARE ALL THE CHILDREN OF GOD BY FAITH BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST HAVE PUT ON CHRIST." IN CHRIST JESUS. FOR AS MANY OF YOU AS HAVE BEEN

Things Necessary

Belong To Christ

- TO BE OF PAUL
- A. PAUL MUST BE CRUCIFIED FOR YOU.
- YOU MUST BE BAPTIZED IN THE NAME OF PAUL.
- C. FOR HOW MANY OF THE CORINTHIANS WAS PAUL CRUCIFIED? NONE!
- D. HOW MANY OF THE CORINTHIANS HAD BEEN BAP-TIZED IN HIS NAME? NONE!
- 2) TO BE OF CHRIST
- A. CHRIST MUST BE CRUCIFIED FOR YOU.
- C. FOR HOW MANY OF THE CORINTHIANS WAS CHRIST B. YOU MUST BE BAPTIZED IN THE NAME OF CHRIST.
- CRUCIFIED? EVERYONE! TIZED IN HIS NAME? EVERYONE! HOW MANY OF THE CORINTHIANS HAD BEEN BAP-

HE—— That believeth
AND
is baptized
Shall be saved

Mark 16:16

'HE THAT BELIEVETH AND IS BAPTIZED'

'HE THAT BELIEVETH AND IS SAVED'

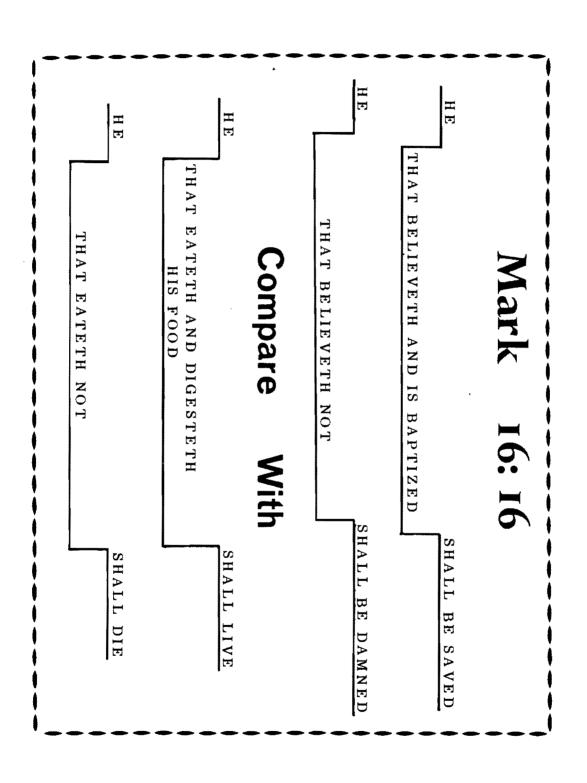
SHALL BE BAPTIZED'

Which will you endorse?

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- 1) OPPONENT'S LOGIC:
- A. NOT TO BAPTIZE (verb)
- B. BUT TO PREACH (verb)
- C. HENCE BAPTISM (noun) IS NO PART OF THE GOSPEL
- 2) NOTE!
- A. NOT TO BAPTIZE
- . BUT TO PREACH
- HENCE, MERE ACT OF BAPTIZING IS NOT WHAT PAUL WAS SENT TO DO
- OPPONENT IS CORRECT, WAS NOT SENT TO MAKE BAPTISTS, SINCE IT TAKES BAPTISM TO MAKE A BAPTIST! PAUL THANKFUL HE
- BAPTISM IS NO PART OF THE GOSPEL, THEN TAKES BAPTISM TO MAKE A BAPTIST GOSPEL - NOT A GOSPEL CHURCH - SINCE IT THE BAPTIST CHURCH IS NOT A PART OF THE
- I COR. 2:2; ACTS 18:8; MK. 16:16



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ets, a Prep. governing the Accusative, and denoting entrance into or direction and limit: into, to, towards, for, among.

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forgiveness of sins, Acts 2:38; ...eis $\alpha \phi \epsilon \sigma i \nu \alpha \mu \alpha \rho \tau i \omega \nu$, to obtain the

Baptism **Remission** Hor of (Eis) Sims

- 1. MATT. 26:26-BLOOD SHED FOR (EIS) REMISSION
- 2. ROM. 10:10-BELIEVE UNTO (EIS) RIGHTEOUSNESS
- 3. ACTS 11:18-REPENTANCE UNTO (EIS) LIFE
- 4. ROM. 10:9-CONFESS UNTO (EIS) SALVATION

ACTS 3:19-REPENT-CONVERTED-THAT (EIS) SINS BLOTTED

ACTS 2:38-REPENT-BAPTIZED FOR (EIS) REMISSION

Baptism Order to

Remission Sims

22 TRANSLATIONS OF ACTS 2:38

KING JAMES	"repent, and be baptizedfor the remission of sins"
AMERICAN STANDARD	"repent ye, and be baptizedunto the remission"
EMPHASIZED	"Repent ye, and be immersedinto the remission of your"
MODERN SPEECH	"Repentand be baptizedwith a view to the remission"
ANDERSON	"Repent and be immersed in order to the remission of"
LIVING ORACLES	"Reform, and beimmersedin order to the remission"
GERMAN TRANSLATION	"Repent and be baptized (for, unto) in order to the for- giveness of sins"
FRENCH TRANSLATION	"Repent, and be ye all baptizedin order to obtain the remission of your sins."
SPANISH TRANSLATION	"Repent and be ye all baptized for the purpose of the remission of your sins."
ITALIAN TRANSLATION	"Repent and be ye all baptizedinto the remission of your"
FIRST GERMAN BIBLE	"Repent andbe baptizedfor(in order to, unto) the forgive- ness of sins."
MODERN READERS BIBLE (MOULTON)	"Repent and be baptizedunto the remission of your sins."
McKNIGHT'S TRANSLATION	"Reform and be each of you immersedin order to the remission of sins."
MOFFAT'S TRANSLATION	"Repentand be baptized for the remission of sins"
GOODSPEED'S TRANSLATIO	N "You must repent, and every one of you be baptized in order to have your sins forgiven"
WEYMOUTH'S MODERN SPEECH	"Repentand be baptizedfor the remission of sins"
ROTHERHAM'S TRANSLATIO	ON "Repent yeand be immersedunto the remission"
PHILLIPS	"You must repent and everyone of you must be baptized so that you may have your sins forgiven"
MODERN ENGLISH	"Change your mind and be baptizedfor a release of your sins"
WILLIAMS	"You must repent-and as an expression of it, every one of you be baptized-that you may have your sins forgiven"
BAYLOR UNIVERSITY	"Repent (that is undergo a change of mind and feeling) and
	be baptized each of you-with a view to the remission"
SHORT BAPTIST COLLEGE	"Repent and be baptized everyone of you for (in order that you may receive) the forgiveness of your sins"
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PARALLELS ON ACTS 2:38

"Repent, and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

Turn ye, and be vaccinated everyone of you in the name of the doctor for the prevention of smallpox, and ye shall be free of the disease

You (the audience, second plural) and He (opponent, third plural) can surely see that his statement is the opposite of the truth.

Go ye and bathe everyone of you by the authority of the doctor for the cleansing of the body and you shall receive the blessings of good health.

Go ye and be bathed everyone of you by the authority of the doctor for the cleansing of the body and you shall receive the blessings of good health.

ON ACTS 2:38

. Unto the remission of your sins (eis aphesin ton hamartion humon). This phrase is the subject of endless controversy as men look at it from the standpoint of sacramental or of evangelical theology. In themselves the words can express aim or purpose for that use of eis does exist as in I Cor. 2:7 eis doxan hemon (for our glory). But then another usage exists which is just as good Greek as the use of eis for aim or purpose. It is seen in Matt. 10:41 in three examples eis onoma prophetou, dikaiou, mathētou where it cannot be purpose or aim, but rather the basis or ground, on the basis of the name of prophet, righteous man, disciple, because one is, etc. It is seen again in Matt. 12:41 about the preaching of Jonah (eis to kerugma $I\bar{o}n\bar{a}$). They repented because of (or at) the preaching of Jonah. The illustrations of both usages are numerous in the N.T. and the Koiné generally (Robertson, Grammar, p. 592). One will decide the use here according as he believes that baptism is essential to the remission of sins or not. My view is decidedly against the idea that Peter, Paul, or any one in the New Testament taught baptism as essential to the remission of sins or the means of securing such remission. So I understand Peter to be urging baptism on each of them who had already turned (repented) and for it to be done in the name of Jesus Christ on the basis of the forgiveness of sins which they had already received.

When Was

Robertson

Right ?

ON MATTHEW 26:28 Unto remission of sins (eis aphesin hamartion). This clause is in Matthew alone but it is not to be restricted for that reason. It is the truth. This passage answers all the modern sentimentalism that finds in the teaching of Jesus only pious ethical remarks or eschatological dreamings. He had the definite conception of his death on the cross as the basis of forgiveness of sin. The purpose of the shedding of his blood of the New Covenant was precisely to remove (forgive) sins.

CHART 5

PUT BAPTISM WHERE GOD PUT IT!

REPENT

AND BE BAPTIZED...

FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS

BEFORE REMISSIONI REPENTANCE AND BAPTISM

REPENTANCE NECESSARY!

REPENT

FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS

Repentance BEFORE Remission!

"EIS"

with reference to	in	unto	for	toward	to	into	TOTAL
NEVER	131 times	208 times	91 times	32 times	282 times	571 times	1600 times

ST. JOHN 18

37 Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

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membership. This qualification is baptism. There can, according to the Scriptures, be no visible church without baptism. An observance of this ordinance is the believer's first public act of obedience to Christ. Regeneration, repentance, and faith are private matters between God and the soul. They involve internal piety, but of this piety there must be an external manifestation. This manifestation is made in baptism. The penitent, regenerate believer is baptized into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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The New Directory of Baptist Churches

by EDWARD T. HISCOX

Baptism is sometimes called "the initiatory rite," because persons are not received to membership in the churches until they are baptized. But baptism of itself does not admit to the fellowship of the churches; it, however, stands at the door, and admission is only on its reception. It has by some been called "the seal of the new covenant," as circumcision was the seal of the old. It is, however, a witness and a testimony to the covenant, since it is naturally and properly the first Christian act of the union and fellowship of the renewed soul with its Saviour. It becomes a badge of discipleship, and is, in that sense, a seal of the covenant of grace.

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TWENTIETH CENTIETH

BAPTISTS

PAGE CONVERTED BAPTIZED YEARS BETWEEN by H.C. VANDERPOOL & W.T. RUSSELL

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22 years	19 years	12 years	11 years	10 years	9 years	9 years	8 years	6 years	6 years	5 years

WHY TARRIEST THOU

TWENTIETH CENTURY BAPTISTS

by H.C. Vanderpool and W. T. RUSSELL

converted at Ebenezei Baptist Church in October, 1930. Twenty-two years later, 1952, he united with Rutland Baptist Church and was baptized by Elder G. A. Gregory. In July 1955, he united with Beckwith Baptist Church in Wilson County. He was ordained by that same Baptist body September 23, 1956. Brother was reared the son of a farmer. He was

THE SAME HOUR OF THE NIGHT

CHANGING GOD'S WORD

 BAPTIZE	TEACH	TEACH	TEACH	BAPT 1ZE	ТЕАСН	MATT.28:18
 BAPTISM	SAVES	FIGURE	SAVES	BAPTISM	FIGURE	1 ਇਜ.3:21
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BAPTIZED	W.A.S.	ARISE	W. AWAY S.	BAPTIZED	ARISE	ACTS 22:16
 BAPTIZED	REM.	REPENT	REMISSION	BAPT I ZED	REPENT	ACTS 2:38
BAPTIZED	SAVED	BELIEVE	SAVED	BAPTIZED	BELIEVE	MARK 16:16
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Who Is Right - God Or The Baptists?

BAPTISM STANDS BETWEEN THE ALIEN SINNER AND ALL OF THE BLESSINGS LISTED IN THE RIGHT HAND COLUMN

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> Salvation, Mk. 16:16 Being a New Creature, Rom. 6:5; Blood of Christ, Jn. 19:34; Rom. 6:3-4 Death of Christ, Rom. 6:3 Remission of Sins, Acts 2:38 Washing Away of Sins, Acts 22:16 2 Cor. 5:17.

Putting on Christ, Gal, 3:26, 27

Sanctification, Eph. 5:26 Cleansing, Eph. 5:26

Forgiveness, Col. 2:13 Putting Off Body of Sins, Col. 2:11-13

Kingdom, Jn. 3:5

Good Conscience, I Pet. 3:21

Holy Spirit, Acts 2:38; 5:32

Body (church) of Christ, I Cor. 12:13; Eph. 1:22-23

Being a Child of God, Gal. 3:26, 27

Wearing the Name of Christ, 1 Cor.

ROMANS 4:1-5

WHAT shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath

2 For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God.

3 For what saith the Scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for right-eousness.

4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.
5 But to him that worketh not,

but to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.

- 1. Was Abraham saved by faith alone?
- 2. Was faith the last condition of his salvation?
- 3. Where is the record of his repentance? Prayer? Confession? These are not mentioned in Romans 4.
- 4. Is faith a work? Is it a work "whereof to glory?
- 5. Is baptism for the remission of sins a work "whereof to glory."
- 6. Which of these acts commanded by God and performed by men denies God's grace: repentance unto life, confession unto salvation, faith for righteousness, prayer for forgiveness, or baptism for the remission of sins? Which of these acts is intended to put God in debt to us?

HEBREWS 11:8-10;17

8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the prombes offered up his only begotten

- 1. Would Abraham have had the faith that saves if he did not "obey," "go," "so-journ," "look," and "offer."
- 2. Was Abraham's obedience in offering Isaac an attempt to negate grace and obtain God's indebtedness? Is our baptism for the remission of sins such an attempt?
- . Did Abraham have "whereof to glory" in the work of sojourning in a strange country? Do we have "whereof to glory" as we "arise and be baptized and wash away our sins calling on the name of the Lord"? (Acts 22:16).
- 4. Since you claim that faith is the last work of remission, would Abraham have been saved if he had refused to do the works mentioned in Hebrews 11?
- According to this passage, when was faith the last condition for remission: when Abraham left Ur of the Chaldees or when he offered up Isaac? Could he have been saved by one instance of faith and without the other?

JAMES 2:20-24

one God; thou doest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

23 And the Scripture was ful-

23 And the Scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness; and he was called the Friend of God.

God.

24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

- 1. Were these the works of men or God?
- 2. In Romans 4:3 the quotation "Abraham believed God" refers to the means of obtaining God's grace, then does not the same quotation in James 2:23, which refers to justification by works, imply that there are some works involved in obtaining God's grace?
- 3. What works were required of Abraham for justification? What works are implied as essential for Christians? Is baptism for the remission of sins included or excluded?

SALWATION & WORKS

Different Kinds of Works in New Testament

The Works of God-Jn. 6:28

2 The Works of Faith- | Th. |: 3

3 The Works of Righteousness-God's Righteousness

Acts 10:35- | Jn. 2:29; 3:7,10

4 Works of the Law of Moses-Gal.2:16

5 Works of Our Own Righteousness-Rm.10:3, Titus 3:5

Which of these conflict with grace

Where does baptism classify

It Is Therefore A Work Of God—Originating With Him And Ordained By Him Baptism Is A Work Of God's Righteousness Wrought By Faith In Our Hearts

The faith that saves

faith that is seen
Luke 5:20
faith that obeys
faith that takes steps
faith that takes steps
Romans 4:12
faith that works
/ Galatians 5:6

is never "alone"!

THE INNER OR

THE OUTER MAN?

WHICH IS A MEMBER OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH THE INNER MAN OR THE OUTER MAN?

DOES THE INNER OR THE OUTER MAN CONFESS CHRIST? IS THE INNER MAN "BORN OF WATER?" HOW?
HOW IS THE INNER MAN CHASTENED?
WHO PRAYS FOR SALVATION AT THE MOURNER'S BENCH?
IN ROMANS 6:3-4WHO IS RAISED IN NEWNESS OF LIFE?
WHICH DID PAUL "BUFFET" IN 1 COR. 9:27 THE INNER
MAN OR THE OUTER MAN?
IN MATT. 5:28 WHO COMMITS ADULTERY THE INNER OR

IN 1 COR. 6:19, WHICH IS THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY GHOST

THE INNER MAN OR THE OUTER MAN?

THE OUTER MAN? WHO DOES THE LOOKING?

QUICKENED OR MADE ALIVE DEAD IN SIN. Have You Obeyed BURIED Christ 1 Per. 3:18 The Form? BURIED ALIVE AROSE DEAD IN SIN Error NEW LIFE QUICKENED OR MADE ALIVE IN BAPTISM CoL.2:12-13 BURIED Truth ARISE TO NEW LIFE

Salvation by the Blood





MT. 26:28

REMISSION

I JN. 1: 7

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HEB. 9-14

REV. 1: 5

ACTS 20: 28

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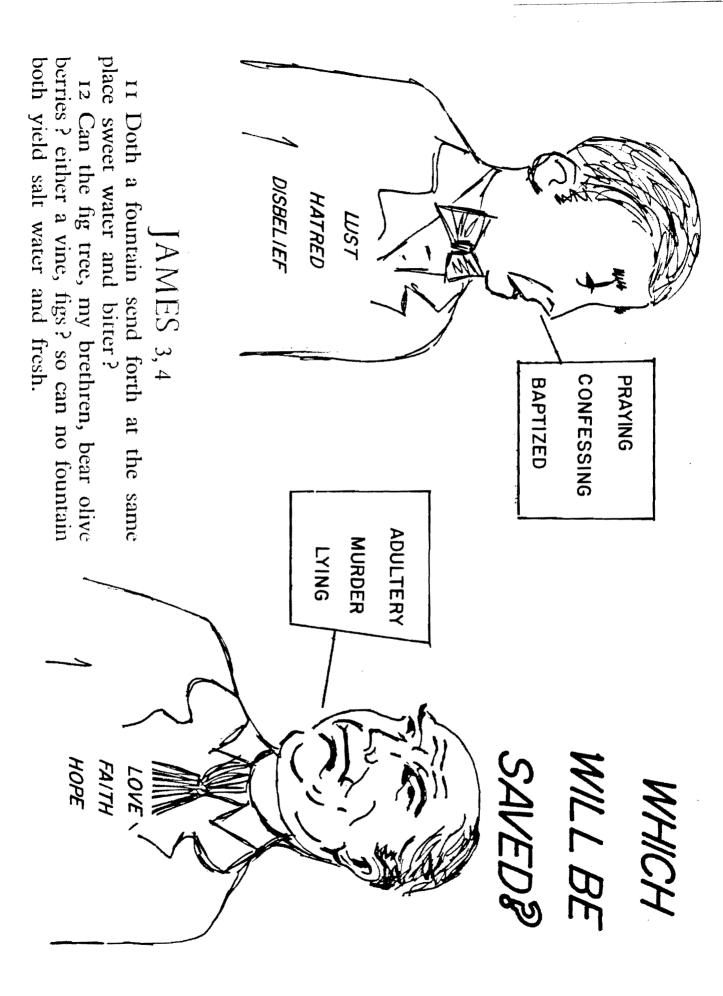
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1 Peter 3:21

- A. 'BAPTISM DOTH NOW SAVE YOU'
- B. 'BAPTISM DOTH NOT SAVE YOU'
- Q. WHICH STATEMENT IS TRUE?

SAVE NOW?



came the servants of righteousness.

ROMANS 6

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. 18 Being then made free from sin, ye be-We Will Be Judged By-Words-Mt.12:37 Heart-1 Cor. 4:5 Deeds-2 Cor. 5:10

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V. OF JUSTIFICATION

We believe that the great gospel blessing which Christ's secures to such as believe in him is justification; that justification includes the pardon of sin, and the promise of eternal life on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood; by virtue of which faith his perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.

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DECLARATION OF FAITH

as revised and enlarged by J. Newton Brown) (The New Hampshire Confession of Faith

DECLARATION OF FAITH

of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. (Matt. 20: 28; Rom. 4: 25; 3: 21-26; 1 John 4: 10; 2: 2; 1 Cor. 15: 1-3; Heb. 9: 13-15.)

• Heb. 1: 8. Unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God is for ever and ever. (Heb. 1: 3; 8: 1; Col. 3: 1-4.)

*Heb. 7: 25. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. Col. 2: 9. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. Heb. 3: 18. In that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted. (Heb. 7: 26; Pa. 89: 19; Pa. 34.)

V. OF JUSTIFICATION

and eternity. principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed pardon of sin," and the promise of eternal life on which Christ' secures to such as believe in him and secures every other blessing needful for time state of most blessed peace and favor with God not in consideration of any works of righteous is Justification; that Justification includes the imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a which faith his perfect righteousness is freely ness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood; by virtue of We believe that the great gospel blessing

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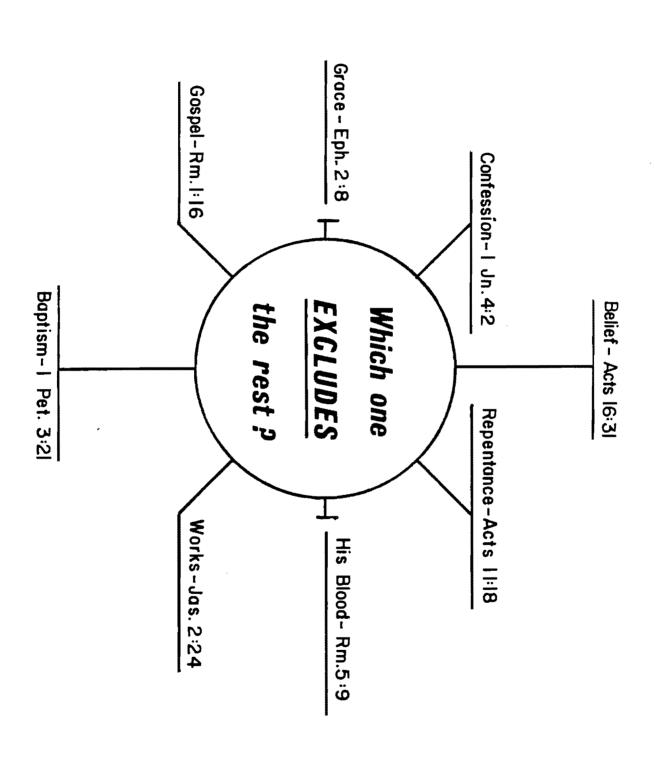
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James 2

- v. 17 FAITH- No works dead in itself!
- v. 20 FAITH Apart from works barren!
- v. 26 FAITH Apart from works DEAD!

BODY WITHOUT SPIRIT v. 26 & FAITH WITHOUT WORKS BOTH DEAD!

CAN THAT FAITH SAVE HIM?

IS BAPTISM A WORK OF MAN OR GOD?

MATTHEW 21:25-27

WHENCE

WAS

IT?

25 The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?

26 But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet.

27 And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell.

<u>JESUS SAID</u>: John's baptism was "to fulfill all righteousness."

MATTHEW 3:14-15

14 But John forbade him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15 And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

MARK 1:4

4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.

JOHN SAID: John preached "the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins."

LUKE 7:29-38

LUKE SAID: The people justified God in John's baptism; others rejected the counsel of God being not baptized.

29 And all the people that heard him, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John.
30 But the Phärī-sēes and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being not baptized of him.

WHAT WILL MY OPPONENT SAY?

- 1. May a man who has not submitted himself to the righteousness of God be saved? (Romans 10:3).
- 2. Will he try to disconnect the phrase "baptism of" from the phrase "repentance for the remission of sins."
- 3. Will he justify God's means of saving man in baptism?
- 4. Will he reject the counsel of God saying that baptism is unnecessary?
- 5. Will he say that baptism is merely a work of man because he "fears the people?"
- 6. Will he argue that Jesus' baptism by John was for some unnecessary reason and thus Jesus did not need to fulfill all righteousness?
- 7. Will he argue that we are not to follow the example of Jesus in being baptized "to fulfill all righteousness"?

The Elder's Dilemma

Is Baptism a Work of Man or God

Mt. 21:24-27

24 And Jesus answered and said unto them, I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.

25 The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?

26 But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet.

27 And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell.

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