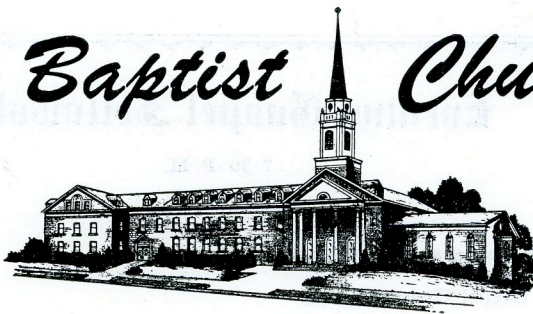


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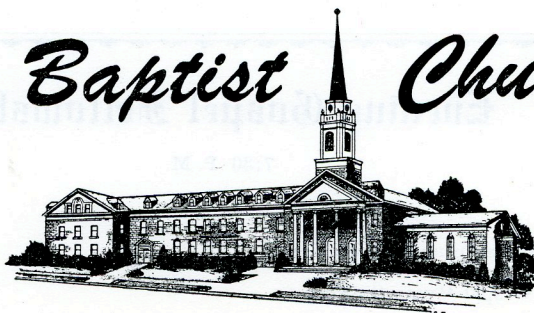
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Our Understanding of Baptism

Introduction

- Not a propaganda or argumentative sermon, but an attempt to share some deep convictions.

① The Great Face of our Time - Discovery of the Whole Church.

② Not just uttering platitudes and singing a song and going home.

③ Not a deep sharing of our beliefs.

- Presbyterians - Sovereignty of God.

- Lutherans - Grace of God.

- Methodists - Christian Experience.

- Alexander Schmemmann -

"What do Baptists believe about
Apostolic Succession?"

④ An investigation of our Baptist Position.

- John Bunyan - Spiritual Freedom.

- Roger Williams - Political Freedom.

- Livingstone, Carey, Judson - Our forbears.

Our Deep Concern For Freedom

- ① I am responsible for making my own decision.
 - The integrity of my own soul.
- ② A congregation is free to order its own life.
 - No priest, preacher or hierarchy.
- ③ That I must seek for the Truth.
 - Searching the Scriptures. No Creed.
- ④ That there will be differences within the Congregation.

This Is Freedom Within An Obedience.

- ① Not an unbridled freedom.
 - A train with no tracks.
 - A tree with no earth.
- ② But within a basic obedience to Christ.
 - In the Will.
 - In the Fellowship.
 - My own study and conscience.

Our Peculiar Understanding of Baptism

- No war with any other baptism.
- The emphasis is not on the amount of water.
- There is nothing magical or sacred about the

① Baptism Is The Witness to My Faith

- I have met Jesus Christ and he has become my saviour and Lord.
- I am willing to walk in his way.
- No One can say I'm for Thee.
 - Faith is A Deeply Personal Matter.
- This is what I mean by "Believer's Baptism".

② This Is An Act of The Church

- Not a solitary thing between the preacher and a person.
- The fellowship witnesses in this.
- Reminded of what God has done for us.

③ His Signifies My Entrance Into the Life of Christ

- I Am Buried With Him.
 - My lusts, anger and pride have been put away.
 - Christ will take this if I am willing to let Him.
- I Am Resurrected With Christ
 - I am brought into a New Life, a New Love and a New Way.

His Becomes A Divine Companion ship.

Lord of Heaven and his Saints.

- The Company of his Saints make.

On Doing The Will of God

God has a Great Will for His Universe

- He has brought this world forth for a purpose and a reason. A Will.
- The Bible is the story of God working that out.
- All around us in unexpected places God is working out His Will.
- That Will may be frustrated but it will not be defeated.
- The real game is in our yet.

Within this Great Will ^{is the Will} for my own Life

- Centres in Christ
- My Work -
- My Marriage
- My Daily Life -
- Unhappiness outside that Will.

- ① Defeats can further That Will.
- Tim Elliott and Kate Harris.
- ② We can be fighting God thinking we are doing God's Will.
- ③ We can confuse our selfish ends with God's Will.

Knowing God's Will

① Close enough to hear God speak.

② Open enough to see God

- Love

- Friends

- Need.

③ Willing to say "Yes" - John R. Mott

④ Humble enough to begin - Dwight L. Moody