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A HOME FOR BAPTIST INFANTS.

Here we present and dedicate Our children, Lord, to Thee! Joyful that we ourselves are Thine-Thine let our offspring be.

It is a hackneyed objection, often used against the Baptist church, that they provided no spiritul instruction, afford no religious aliment, furish no sanctifying means of grace to their help s and dependent offspring. Atrocious and ment, that persons, calling themselves chrisns, in the bitterness of sectarian strife, pubmuse, when they ascribe to christian parents a ent of feeling, a monstrous cruelty, unnatural in agnalize their courtesy (?) by the slang, steburch, and in hell." We thank God, no alghtened christian in this age, believes in inint perdition. But can they, who so slander a me christian denomination, prove, that chilm are brought into covenant with God, only infant sprinkling? The Holy Scriptures ach that God promised covenant mercies and ssings to his people and to their offspring. ective of circumcision; as when God callthe Gentiles, he required not, that they should edircumcised. The prophet Isaiah 65: 23. ers of the future Gentile christian church, they are the seed of the blessed of the Lord and their offspring with them." But they objet, baptism takes the place of circumcision Gentile children were not circumcised God's requirement. Neither were children in infancy ever buptized by His command or appointment. We read that when persons "beleved, they were baptized both men and wo-But it does not say children, any where. All christian nations are descendants of Gentile believers, not Jewish proselytes by circumcision. or Judaism is not christianity. "Ye shall all his servants by another name." The dises were called christians, first in Antioch.

Besides all this, the analogy of faith, accordg to the Jewish dispensation required the pree family. Here is clear proof of infant coneration, sanctification, and dedication to God, leges. fmale infants, required by the Mosaic Law of But baptism is entirely out of the ques-

God requires his people, as much, in this ge, to be a holy people, and to educate reliasly and sacredly, their children, as he origi-God." 1 Peter 2: 9, 10. The Jews were gion. So Hannah dedicated her child, illuswoted, dedicated, conscerated, sanctified to is service. So Timothy, "from a child," was ears, till the birth of Christ, from the call of braham, to Christ's coming as Messiah, the cople of God dedicated their children to God, d instructed them in the doctrines and prac-

te of true piety. At twelve years of age the

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All Companies of the date to Go tax. I see the hung one lived to the in the burning off of the responsible of the control of the hung one lived to the hung of the hung of the lived to the hung one lived to the hung of the lived to the live of elementary religious instruction, that God has delegated to parents. To disciple by preaching, is ministerial office work, and to administer baptism and the Lord's Supper to the disciples, may cross to us, from Popish frontiers and we who gladly embrace the gospel. Baptism is no charm to drive away original sin, as the African risk the Popish Gulf, by venturing our souls soon as the orders can be forwarded to the Pubnity of making any sacrifice for his glory. Council held A. D. 253. Negroes are natural- and our children's souls, on so crazy a structure, lishers. The shipments will be made imme- A few days passed, and a letter came for her ly superstitious, and their reasonings as clear as as the rotten "wood, hay, and stubble," of the diately to the place designated by the society from an absent brother, containing an unexpec-

abandoned, the pure Scriptural precepts and ex. and King, to bless, sanctify and save them. That added to the prime cost of the books, through- like an old friend who has done me good." If they saw an old man hoeing in a corn-field. He amples of God's people, should be cherished the public prayers of ministers, and christians in out our entire field (the South,) and a uniform all the professed followers of Jesus would make and imitated. God has made a covenant with Sabbath schools, as well as the patriarchal pray- per cent. paid colporteurs, in all the States and some sacrifice, forego some anticipated gratificahis people, by the sacrifice of His Son Jesus ers in the family, all come up "accepted in the Territories. The children of his people are his; beloved for beloved' Saviour. Glory be to God, for such the sake of their parents united to Christ. They a place for children !—a holy place, next door to Testaments, may not in all cases afford adequate dollar back with interest here, but you will have ought to be dedicated to God, "they are the the kingdom of Heaven! But no out of place pay to colporteurs, a friendly understanding ex- what is worth more—the sweet consciousness of seed of the blessed of the Lord, and their off. human traditions is a fit place for the tender in- ists between this Board and the Publication So- your Savjour's approval. spring with them." For this cause, Jesus the fants God has entrusted to His own people, to ciety in Charleston, by which our colporteurs Lord blessed them. He took them in his arms bring up for Him. Let Baptists prize their can be furnished with a stock of Denomination-

usage for children of the covenant church of your country. Educated, sanctified mind, gov. \$300 to \$400 per year; good wages to any man God. "I will be a God to thee, and to thy seed erns the Universe, according to the will of God. who has to gain a subsistance by labor, and many after thee." Bring up your children to me, not And let malignant tongues slander on. Ministers suitable men of age and experience can be found to Moloch, nor to Mammon. Such was, in fact of Paidobaptist churches daily confess, that "all in almost any district in our country. By a genthe history of the early christians; they instruc- Scripture and true History sustain Baptists." eral and vigorous prosecution of this plan, we ted the catechumens in the faith, laid their hands Indeed were a rich man to bequeath \$50,000 to snall not only be able to supply all the destitute God. on them, prayed for them, blessed them, and each one of his six grown children, who were to in the South with the Word of Life, but also when old enough, baptized them, and led them prove they had been baptized, before they could give such a general circulation to our Denomito the Lord's Supper. So Tertullian taught. touch the legacy, I would lay my head on the national Literature, as effectually to disabuse pelah, or meditate with Isaac in the fields of blessing which had thus been conferred upon

nant with children, as taught by our Lord, and to God, as we have proved, universally they dice it against our doctrines, pratice and church held by the early christian church, before it was should be, we should be a holy nation, as well government; and this to every Baptist is an imcorrupt. Calvin regrets that this practice was as happy people, "a peculiar treasure," jewels portant, and must be a desirable achievement. abandoned, as he considered it Scriptural, salu- of the Lord of Hosts. And as a church, where In those States and Territories which are too tary, and impressive. So Jesus blessed children, voluntary baptism prevailed, there would be feeble to constitute an auxiliary society. this draughts of melody from David's sounding lyre, "There," said the professor. commended their doculity, guilelessness and im- " one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism." plicit humility, aptness to believe teachings; and so by his inspired apostle Paul he commended christian parents first, to educate them in the hosen: for the Lord God shall slay thee and Lord, in His faith, unto His obedience. 2. He Address to all Churches in the Southern ritory is in a condition to take it in charge. commanded christian ministers to "feed his lambs." 3. In the early church, they held it as a duty, to instil the principles of the doctrine of sonal intercourse among the churches and minis Christ into the minds of the children of the con- ters of the Southern States and Territories, to gregation, to bless and pray for them, to baptize impart such information, as to the plan of operareception of Christ's faith, and admit them Baptist Convention, is aiming to establish

cluded from this obligation or privilege, with re- have deemed it best to write out a full exposition spect to this christian education for his children, of the Board's general plan of operations; so that his wards, or even, if he desires it, (and who each State organization and each friend of our would not desire it) of orphans or neighbor's Bible Board in the South may be in full posses-Gentiles) are * * a holy nation, the people repealed as to Jew and Gentile. Baptism has diate and active co-operation with the Board in in cash, by feeble States, to enable them to ennever been enjoined on any but those who, by prosecuting the great and good work assigned it. Structed to "train up their children in the reason and mature age and instruction, can "rey they should go," "teach them," as they pent," "believe" and take themselves person- as a grand centre to which all the liberality, ally the baptismal yow of obligation, to the Fath- prayerfully appropriated by the Southern churchalked, or sat in the house, viz: constantly, pa-ally the baptismal vow of obligation, to the Fath-prayerfully appropriated by the Southern church-er, Son and Spirit in the ordinance of immer-es and lovers of the Bible, for the circulation of sion. But God has never repealed infant dedi- the Word of God at home and abroad, might be cation-never withdrawn nor diminished a sin- directed; and around which all might rally in a ig as he liveth, he shall be lent to the Lord," gle obligation on christian parents to be holy, grand and uniform system for the accomplishand train their children to christian holiness .-Nor, thanks to His name, has he ever withdrawn established structed and devoted. Thus for two thousand a single promise that He would receive dedicated persons offered to Him, in Christ's name, nitude of the work assigned them, and of the with prayer and faithful means of grace, applicable and consonant with the subjects of their uals and as a Board, in the prosecution of these petition. Thousands of families Baptist and momentous interests, having prayerfully investi-Paidobaptist thus can testify, in ascriptions of gated, as far as they are capable of, the relations wish boy was placed under the yoke of the praise to God, for the conversion of all their of all the parties, interested in their action, to children. Not by baptism, but by christian ed- each other and to the Convention; and the vari-When we examine the New Testament to ucation, by precept and example, in a sanctified our operations, and the source its boson was filled with the vapors it in the content to brief outline of the plan of our operations, and home, agreeably to God's appointment, with be employed in order to success in the enterhope it will be everywhere adopted and vigorouslike the plan of our operations, and the visit of mercy.

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It is the day when, so that you do not be plan of our operations, and the visit of mercy.

It is the day when, so that you do not be plan of our operations, and the visit of mercy. beccupy, in the church of Christ, we find not promise. Here, then, is a place for children of prise, and the co-operation of all the parts, have ly prosecuted.

Baptist congregations, and the only right place adopted the following plan of operations, viz:

The Board desires, and proposes, that in every many to be a sanctified Home, where, by pre-

Present hopism. Of the country, the Person of Grat, they Present hopism. Of any phillers, until by the grace of Grat, they Present hopism. Of the country, the Person of Grat, they Present hopism. Of the Country, the Person of Grat, they Present hopism. Of the Country, the Person of Grat, they Present hopism. Of the Country of the Person of Grat, they Present of Grat, they Present of Grat, they Present of Grat, they are found meet to be particles with the dop first of the Person of Grat, they Present of Grat, they are found meet to be particles with the dop first of the Person of Grat, they Present of Grat, they are found meet to be particles with the two parts of Grat, they are found meet to be particles with the two parts of Grat, they are found meet to be particles with the two parts of Grat, they are found meet to be particles with the two parts of Grat, they are found meet to be particles and they present of Grat, they are found meet to be particles and they are found meet to be particles and they present of Grat, they are found meet to be particles are found meet to be particles and they present the Editor of the Grat of Grat, they are found meet to be particles are found meet to be particles. The Grat of Grat of

and laid his hands on them, in blessing and pray-er. So Augustin held of "laying on of hands," the truth is persecuted, the brighter its lustre. teurs, so that an industrious and steady man may it signified, "to pray for them." Hence we see provided in the everlasting coverage realize from this joint stock of books, supplied the prayer and blessing" and not baptism, was the nant" of God. Educate them for Him, and for without cost to him, an annual income of from Hence blessing, laying on of hands for prayer block, not one of the heirs would risk Paido- the public mind of the absurdities imposed upon and with prayer is the sign of the christian cove- baptism ! And when all children are dedicated it by those who seek to pre-possess and prejudent

WM. A. SHAW.

Finding it almost impossible, by means of per hem when they gave evidence of their hearty tions which the Bible Board of the Southern thereupon to communion, and all church privi- throughout the South, as will secure the harmonious co-operation of all the South in prose-Now there is no Baptist on earth, that is ex- cuting to their full consummation those plans; I hildren or strangers. Circumcision has been sion of all the information necessary to an imme-

ment of the great objects for which the Board was

Deeply and solemnly impressed with the mag

similar to those proposed for the wealthier States. wheels. which agencies shall be conducted under the su-

In addition to the supply of the Home field, t is the duty of this Board to provide means to enable the Foreign Board to publish as extensively as the demand required, the Holy Scripbut as the funds required to meet the wants of crown so blissful and so benign, till it says to our foreign field, must come from the several you, "Be of good cheer, thy sins are forgiven States, through their State organizations, it is important that these State Boards should keep n mind that more funds are annually needed han what is required to supply the home desti- again. tutions, so that this Board may be in a situation to meet the wants of our Foreign Board.

Inasmuch as requests have been made for aid gage in the work of canvassing the State, and ing something in the way of Bible distribu-Board has no other way of getting funds but tion, for holy resolutions, for obedience begun you make laws in Congress, but this through the State auxiliaries, it cannot supply funds to feeble States. All it can do at present is, to supply books to colporteurs to sell as above. Still, if such feeble State or Territory could sustain a General Agent, the Board would supply

or two years, but so soon as the strong States friends take counsel one with another; and when have supplied their own destitution, they will be under the quiet roof, they read, or go over the able to aid this Board in supplying the destitute plan be pursued systematically and vigorously,

WM. C. BUCK,

We do not believe that any christian rite bas been lost, but while superstitious innovations, corruptions and abuses should be rejected and superstitious and abuses should be rejected and superstitious and abuses should be rejected and superstitious and superstitions are superstitious and superstitions and superstitions are superstitutions. tion for his cause, how would the treasury of the

Privileges of the Sabbath. The Sabbath is the day when you may si

own to the Bible without fear of disturbance. It is the day when, with our sinless progenitors, you may take the tour of paradise, and lis- of the field to go home. He put on one shoe ten to the anthems of a newly created world.

the wonder and imbibe the ardor of a walk with then put on the other shoe, and found another

mood, you may mourn with Abraham at Mach- ground, and returned thanks to God for the Mamre, or go down into Egypt to view Joseph him. The listeners learned from the praye

twinkle anew, and Zachariah's fountain flow that the two dollars were a great relief sent to

Board proposes to aid by a system of Agencies, or let your spirit ride aloft on Ezekiel's flying this is than to have hid the old man's shoes.

pervision of this Board until such State or Ter- walk to Bethany or Emmaus, or, a fourth disci- except in kindness .- Am. Mess. ple, ascend Tabor with Peter, and James, and

It is the day when, with Mary, you may clasp that cross which quivers no longer, and look up to those pale and painless lips, which need never repeat, "It is finished," and gaze on that counmissionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention: tenance in death so divine, and beneath its thorny may listen to a sermon of Paul; or, a pilgrim to

> And it is the day for prayer-the Sabbath itself one closet, and your quiet chamber another ments, and obtained peace in Christian hone. -a closet within a closet, when you may surely the wonder of his neighbors, and the vexation shut out the world, and get very near to God.

eyeing the Lamb that was slain. The day for looking forward, for self-dedica-

And it is the day for public worship, when the lad bells say, "Go ve up to the house of the Lord," and the willing worshipper answers, "Thy face, Lord, will I seek."

And it is the day for Christian converse: when. coming from the house of God in company, pious sermons, or commune together.

And it is the day for family instruction, when the hymns are said, and the chapters read, and How vast the range of blessing your prayers may the truth in Jesus expounded; and when the take. Who can tell the history or trace the father affectionately strives to leave the lessons wandering of you cloud that sails in light and

Evangelist

A Trick well Played.

Many are fond of playing tricks, as hiding boy's cap, or a girl's bonnet, at school. So things may sometimes be done for amusement, or to confer pleasure, but never to any one's

was advancing slowly with his work towards the what he will do." "No," said the professor, " would not be right. You have money enough just nut a dollar in each of the old man's sho then we will hide behind the bushes, and se

The student agreed to the proposal, and they concealed themselves accordingly. When the la felt something hard, took it off, and found the It is the day when, alongside of Enoch, you dollar. He looked around him, but saw no one, may feed the flame of devotion, and try to divine and looked up gratefully towards beaven. He dollar. He looked at it and looked all around It is the day when, according to your various him, but saw no one. He then knelt upon the It is the day when you may bid Jacob's star were sick, and that they were very poor; so them from heaven. The old man now returned It is the day when you may fill your ear with home with a cheerful and gratified heart. The student's eyes filled with tears, and he said It is the day when you may take a pleasant he would never play another trick upon any one,

The Best Teacher.

The following anecdote was related at the

It is the day when, in the upper chamber, you then fell into great distress of mind, and was Patmos along with the beloved disciple, see Jesus the Bible." "Go to the Bible, why I ed to read by slow process from the first el his vife and family. Mr. Webster, bearing The day for looking back, for confession, for the facts, visited his early acquaintance — "John," said he, "what is this I hear of you?"

"O Daniel," he replied, " you are a great man, tains better laws than what you make." He re turned to his tenant's house from the is the matter with you, are you sick?" " Ah Taylor," said Mr. Webster, "there are miracle in these days-John Colby is converted." Wit this anecdote Mr. Ellis submitted the resol

The Cloud of Mercy.

glory across the sky, or indicate from what yet to shed back upon the earth? Perha It is the day when, so that you do not exhaust though now wandering over the tilled field an yourself or overtask others, you may give every the peopled village its stores were drawn from moment to the one thing needful; the day which some shaded founts in the deep forest, where