

Infant Baptism

"Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven" Mark 10:14

"and He took them up in His arms and put His hands upon them and blessed them" Mark 10:16. (we take them up in our arms)

"and when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child His name was called Jesus." We call the name when we baptise them.

I am talking to you to-day on "Infant Baptism" for two reasons -

1. It is one of our distinctive doctrines and to us Methodists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians and many others a very sacred rite.
2. We are being attracted by Mr. John Bryn of the Cambelt Church in his talks over W C B S.

amongst churches we have church ethics - any leader of a church is unethical that attracts another without having been attracted -

It has never been my disposition to at-
tact any man's doctrine - neither has it
been my disposition to let a man at-
tack the Methodist Church - without cause
and get by with it.

He has recently attacked Infant Bap-
tism and sprinkling as a mode of
baptism -

The church he represents has a ministry
that tries to build up their church member-
ship with people from other churches
by trying to make them believe that they
are not in a saved condition till those
ministers immerse them.

You who practice dedicating your
children to God in this sacred service
of Infant Baptism rejoice for in this
act you please God.

God established His Church in the
early history of the race and that same
church is the church to-day - there
was no new church formed at Penta-
Cost. (page 68 *)

Here is what happened - The Gentiles

were added to the church - Let Paul speak
(page 78 *)

God's Covenant with Abraham has
never been broken and in that the
children were included -

"And I will establish my covenant
between thee and me - and thy seed
after thee -"

The children of Israel coming
out of Egypt pictures the church -
leaving sin - baptised - wilderness the
journey of life - River Jordan = death
Canaan = heaven.

(over) The baptism in Red Sea - all in the
sea - all baptised - in the cloud and
in the sea - all included the children
How? They went across on dry ground
under the cloud were baptised - it rained
on them - sprinkled them -

In that church children were
baptised to the house of God at 8 days of
age - Jesus has not said change
that - we have just added here
tiles to it - Examples

1. Hannah took Samuel up to the House of the Lord and said; "I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life"
2. John the Baptist was taken up at 8 days
3. Jesus was Taken up at 8 days -

Jesus never did change that but when people like John Bryn objected to the children being there Jesus said "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not" "and He took them in His arms and put His hands upon them and blessed them"

So do not get disturbed at these fellows who come around trying to upset you and get you in his denomination

