

The Bible appeals to children as being *in the Lord*. It is thus that the Old Testament speaks of them : it is thus that Paul exhorts them to be obedient to their parents. And the Church from the beginning until now, with the exception of high ritualists and the other extreme of "Antipedobaptists," has acted on this scriptural theory of the parents representing the child, and the believing parent having the privilege of regarding his child as belonging to the visible Church. The Reformed Churches *without exception* adopted this view.

"All belonging to our Convention, or our society, are converted" say some. Now no body of men, no church or society on earth can make such an announcement and *know it to be true*. The attempt to exclude from the visible church all but the regenerate must inevitably fail. The tares and the wheat must grow together till the last day of separation. Children are Christ's lambs: let them not therefore be excluded from the fold and turned to wander on the dark mountains of sin. Christ said that of such is the Kingdom of Heaven. Let us not venture to assume that they are of the Kingdom of Satan and so sling the door of the Church in their faces. Let us cherish, feed and guard them by all the appliances of christian instruction, discipline, and watchfulness, and by abundant prayer for the Holy Spirit to be shed upon them, for the service of Him who claims them as His own, that so they may be prepared for the full duties and privileges of mature christians, when they reach years of discretion; and for the satisfaction of the vows, and the assumption of the professions made for them in baptism in infancy, by a believing approach to the Lord's Table and paying their vows in the presence of all His people.

To the Children of the Church we have to say, the seal of God is upon you. He is pledged to be your God if you are true to Him. Will you cast Him off and take sin, death, everlasting pain and degradation in His stead? You are not too young believe in Christ. The oldest and wisest have to become *like you* before they can enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

We must also remind parents that their children are God's Children, and that God will require it if the children perish! They are committed to you, and you cannot delegate your responsibilities to ministers or Sabbath School teachers, or to any one on earth. So live and so teach your children to live, that when you are to stand before God at the Last Day you can say, Lord, here am I and the children thou hast given me!--*Princeton Review*.

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LETTER FROM REV. MR. JAMIESON.

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Dear Brother.—I have delayed some time in writing to you, hoping long ere this to be able to tell you of the opening of our Church. It is not, however, finished yet. The time, in itself, is not a matter of great importance to us, as we have a central and comfortable place to meet in, but it has thrown the painting and plastering into the wet season of the year—a misfortune which we were most anxious to avoid, and which we thought had been sufficiently guarded against. In the course of a couple of weeks, *it is said*, we can have the opening services. We have then, however, to undertake the seating or spewing, for which we have made no arrangements yet.

Our congregation is not so large as it was at this time last year. There are not so many living here this winter as last—at least belonging to us. Some of those here last winter have gone to Canada, some to the United States, some to Vancouver Island. and some are further up the country. Another cause, con-