

## PRIZE ESSAYS ANNOUNCED.

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The Editor of the *Canada Baptist Magazine* being desirous of rendering his publication as extensively useful as the nature of the undertaking will admit of, would gladly avail himself of the co-operation of such ministers, students, and literary gentlemen, as have ability and leisure for original composition. He, consequently, now proposes a series of subjects for discussion, and offers for the ablest Essay which shall be transmitted h.m. on each or either of the Questions proposed, a reward in books (or money), of the value of Five Dollars. The time allowed for preparing the Essays to be limited to three months, from July 15, 1839, so that the Manuscripts must be sent in to the Editor (*free of expense*) on or before the 15th of October—and the award shall be announced in the *Canada Baptist Magazine* for December following.

### QUESTION I.

What is the *nature and design* of the “glorious Gospel of the blessed God?”

### QUESTION II.

WHAT IS TRUTH? This question Pilate proposed to the Saviour, John xviii. 38; and the answer to it must embrace an illustration of the words of Christ which gave rise to the question, namely —“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:” also, in what sense are we to understand that this “TRUTH IS IN JESUS,” according to Eph. iv. 21.

### QUESTION III.

What are the *two Covenants* spoken of by the Apostle, Gal. iv. 24—with whom were these Covenants made—what are the characteristic features of each—and wherein do they differ from each other?

### QUESTION IV.

What are the “signs of the times”—*encouraging and discouraging*—as manifested by the Christian Church in respect to the extension of Messiah’s Kingdom throughout the world?

### QUESTION V.

Wherein consists the Faith of God’s elect—what is its object—and how is it to be distinguished from the faith of hypocrites and mere nominal professors?

### VI.

A Prize of the same value for the best Poem, either in rhyme or blank verse, on the fall of Antichrist, and the blessedness of the millennial period, Rev. ch. xix. and xx.

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The Editor wishes the first Question to be confined to the Students in the *Canada Baptist College*. A copy of the works of the Rev. Andrew Fuller is the prize. The other Essays are “open to all.”

It is requested that those who become Candidates on this occasion will study conciseness as much as possible. They must be aware on the one hand, how much an essay is injured by being divided; and, on the other, the inconvenience which an Editor sustains by appropriating too many of his pages to one subject, however important.

Montreal, July 1st, 1839.