

not to be severed till brought to land, and the harvest is end of the world, and this work of severing will be in the judgement of a present personal Saviour, through his ministering servants, the angels of heaven.

But, not only is the idea opposed to Scripture, but the Brethren have failed to carry it out. "The wear and tear of reality has put their ideal of a Church to the test, and it has *fairly gone to pieces*." (a) Once it was a compact body, composed solely of believers, without a break in its ranks, Now its ranks are broken; its body of believers split up into antagonistic parties, who not only will not commune together, but who speak in anything but a Christian way of each other. Indeed, as far as the Darby and Newton divisions are concerned, it is the old story of the "Jews having no dealings with the Samaritans." The history of the Brethren to the present

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(a) Letter on Recognition of Pastors, by H. Grattan Guinness.