

because he believed in Christ, he would be baptized by blood."

"That's splendid. I wonder if any little lamb here could tell Auntie about the third kind of Baptism?"

Rose and John eagerly began together, but in different words, so Auntie put her hands over her ears, crying.

"Oh please, please wait! Rose, you begin, dear."

"It's Baptism of Desire," said Rose. "If you want something terribly, you desire it. And sometimes people have known about Jesus, and never have been baptized.

"Then send for the priest." Philip advised.

"Yes," Rose went on, "if there is a priest."

"And if there's no priest, any other person might baptize," Auntie hinted.

Rose's cheeks grew redder in her zeal to explain what Baptism of Desire meant.

"I know, Auntie. But suppose nobody knew how, or nobody would, or the poor thing was dying all alone—then a wish to be baptized would do. Isn't that it?"

"Yes, darling. The heartfelt wish to receive the Sacrament would take the place of the Baptism of Water, and in such a case we say the person received the Baptism of Desire. Do all the little lambs understand?"

To Auntie's surprise, it was Anna who inquired.

"Would that person with the desire, belong to the Good Shepherd, like us?"

"Yes, dear. That person would be as you are through Baptism, the child of God, and heir of heaven, one of the lambs of the Fold of Christ, Our Good Shepherd."

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