

therefore, is a most solemn practical fellowship of infant sprinkling. With a Presbyterian Church it is a fellowship of Presbyterianism, and with an Episcopal Church it involves fellowship of Episcopacy. Open communion Baptists do not design such fellowship, but they express it, and this is the only reason why Pedo-Baptist Churches desire it. They find fault with our strict communion, only because it is a continued reproof of their manner of building up Churches. Hence, to be consistent, let no man commune with a Church where he could not unite in membership. And one who could unite with any Pedo-Baptist Church is not a suitable candidate for a Baptist Church, unless to be instructed in the way of the Lord more perfectly.

10. The Communion in the Baptist Church is the most open in the world. The spirit it involves is more truly Catholic than in any other christian Church. That is the most open communion in which the largest number of christians can participate, without violation of conscience. That communion is the closest that puts up the greatest bars to christian fellowship. To come to the Lord's table in the Baptist Church one must be immersed on believing and act accordingly. This the whole christian world fellowships as right. To go to the communion in a Pedo-Baptist Church every true Baptist must sacrifice his entire convictions on Baptism, and fellowship infant sprinkling, which he believes to be wholly wrong. Our communion, then, is so open that the whole christian world may participate without a violation of conscience. The Pedo-Baptist communion is so close as to exclude the largest Church in America, unless they will partake at the sacrifice of their convictions. Who puts up bars to the union and fellowship of christians? Not the Baptists, for they practice only what all believe to be right. It is the Pedo-Baptists who practice what a large body of christians believe to be wrong.

## QUESTIONS.

1. Do any suppose that Baptists regard baptism a saving ordinance? They believe that ordinances are not saving, but are the duties and privileges of the saved, Jesus is the only Saviour. Therefore they only baptize those whom they