

III.

I never saw a sinner when under conviction, nor a person on his death-bed, lament that he was not immersed in water; and I think if it was of such vast importance as the Baptists wish to make it: the Holy Spirit that convinces of sin would also impress the mind with its necessity.

IV.

The Baptists tell me that immersion in water was the only method for initiating members into the visible church in the primitive days of christianity: if so, what scriptural account have we of any church being based on such principles? Were the Roman, the Corinthian, the Galatian, the Ephesian, the Philipian or the Collossian Churches based on such an hypothesis as this? They were all baptized *in Christ, in Christ's death*, were any of them immersed in water? From what book, or what chapter, or what verse can it be proved?

V.

Their misinterpretation of scripture, applying such passages as have a direct reference to spiritual baptism, to water; and thus destroying their spiritual import, such as 1st—Mark 16, 16.—Rom. 6, 4.—Eph. 4, 5.—Gal. 3, 27.—Col. 2, 12.—Peter 3, 21.—1st Cor. 12, 13; 2d, other passages which allude to the same object, so far as we can judge from the context, are likewise *dragged* over, and *screwed* in to substantiate a system of *conjecture* such as Acts 2, 38–41;—3d metamorphosing some of the simple narrations of scripture to *God's command*, such as Acts, 8, 38;—10, 47.