

out the true, lest any one should be baptized for the dead with the true baptism—Christ's baptism, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, which seals us dead asleed unto the day of redemption, when we shall be raised with our spiritual glorified body. Why is it so blessed to be baptized for the dead asleep, sealed from sin and that awful dying, tormented in the grave, which all suffer that are baptized with the devil's counterfeit, water, and not with the true, which is the Holy Ghost? Why is it that our blessed Lord says, "Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow them." Beloved, the reason why it is so blessed to be baptized with the Holy Ghost for the dead, sealed asleep unto the day of redemption, is that all that have not received the true baptism of the Holy Ghost pass from time into eternity sealed by the devil, and they are never dead asleep, but alive in a dying tormented state—no rest day and night. They would give a thousand worlds to be baptized with the true baptism, which is the Holy Ghost, that seals them in a dead, sleeping, peaceful state ("Baptized for the dead"). "Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord" (Revel. xiv. 13).

O, to be baptised for the dead, sealed with the Holy Ghost unto the day of redemption! Such should be the cry of Christendom, that it may be dead in the Lord, in the earthly paradise, which is the grave. It is not the place that makes it paradise: it