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### Anna Clayton ; -'0R-The Enquirer after Truth. CHAPTER X.

[Continued.]

Suppose now husband and wife are both unbelievers. The sanctification spoken of. whatever it is, does not exist; of course, the reason or cause of the holiness of the asked Halley. "2. Acts xvi. 15, of the family of Lydia. NIAGARA, an elevated Oven, Nos 2, 3 and 4. children does not exist-they cannot be asked Halley.

boly-they are unclean.' When both "They were their dwelling-places and parents were believers, the children be-longed to the church as a matter of course; Bosio was the first modern "writer who phanas. All these are expressly mentioned longed to the church as a matter of course; Bosio was the first modern writer who phanae. All these are expressly mentioned Charter Oak, do do, but now when one only was a believer, they turned his attention to them. He spent as baptized; and the language used indibut now when one only was a believer, they turned his attention to them. He spent cotes that they were of frequent occurrence. Comet, do could not decide, and so they submitted the more than thirty years (1567 to 1600 excase to Paul, and he assured them that God would reckon the children to the believing innermost crypts which had been closed for when she was baptized and her household, parent, and not to the unbelieving. It is enough that they are yours. The infidelity of your partner shall never frustrate their more than thirty years in the examination of your partner shall never frustrate their interest in the covenant of your God. They of the tombs and crypts prior to 1720. M. fession, at the mo her of the family. There are holy because you are holy. D'Agincourt, an ardent student of Christian can be no doubt that hundreds of families, Alma, Island Queen and Ruby PORTABLE GRATES

believers, at Corinth, were unbaptized. And it is too bad, on account of the glitter- cupied in these investigations. In 1846, a But we were searching for the believing faing air-bubble your author erected on that work appeared in England entitled 'The milies on record in the apostolic age. supposition. I cannot refrain from holding Church in the Catacombs,' by Charles it up for our contemplation a moment, ere it vanishes into air. Turn, if you please, in 1854, a small work called the 'Cata-

to page 218, and see his statement : 'If the combs of Rome,' by Rev. William I. Kip, children of Corinth were unbaptized, it was D. D. a Baptist church; and if the church at "By these investigations it is shown that Corinth was a Baptist church, then all the the catacombs were, throughout, well churches, planted by the Apostles were known to the early Christians; for all parts Baptist churches.' That I think is the of them bear trace of their occupancy. substance of the statement; and here we Says Dr. Kip: 'For three hundred years Now here are eleven believing families ex have truly a beautiful little edifice-spire, the entire Christian population of Rome pressly mentioned, and of course have all dome, walls, and columns-very beautiful found sepulture in these recesses.' Chry-received Christian baptism, be they infants

"IF' was not so precarious a support! tian church. Jerome, in the middle of the man: 'Have we eleven instances of the What if it should pull out, and let all down fourth century (about 350), speaks of visit- administration of the Lord's Supper ?- not in a crash at our feet ! Suppose, now, I ing them whilst a youth at Rome. He a forth of that number. Have we eleven hang up a 'water fowl' on the same loop! I will capture it by the same process of reasoning employed by Brother Graves in the reign of Constantine (after 306), three discovering his Baptist churches, and I centuries having passed by, Christianity practice derived from the example of the A-desire you to look first upon the one and emerging from these dark recesses, walked postles, which can be supported by a more

fowl,' then all birds are water fourls !'

the New Testament in the original Greek, Apostolic church. Here were the doctrines is not a single instance on inspired record that most of the terms applied to believers, and teachings of the Apostles preserved in of the baptism of an entire household as were also applied to their children. They used the most affectionate appellations; such as brother, sister, the called, the elect, holy persons or saints, the faithful eic. best."

These, however, were given to none but church members. The oue most frequently and extensively given to church member was, 'the faithful.' This remained their title for several centuries. It was used in the singular and also in the plural. The mother of Timothy is called a faithful pistes. Also when Lydia was baptized, she said, ' If ye have judged me to be faithful' a faithful piston : the same word is used (see Acts xvi. 1-15). This is the 17, Timothy is called the 'faithful' in the

hese caverns, also, Suctonius tells us, Nero thought by some an objection that there was advised to conceal himself in his hour are so few cases mentioned, But this arises was advised to concease trimsert is use how of danger; but he replied that 'he would not go under the ground while living.' Be-fore and after the time of Nero, these cata-combs were inhabited by those condemned to work there; and also afforded a safe place of retreat in times of disaster and persecution." "What connection have they with the ""I. Acts x 1-48, is an account of the baptism of the household of Cornelius. "What connection have they mitting church?" was advised to conceal himself in his hour are so lew cases mentioned, but this arises of danger; but he replied that 'he would entirely from a superficial view of the mat-to the superficial view of the mat-cooking Stoves, Shop Stoves, &c, and here here the superficial view of the mat-

and a standard a star the star star and the

" 3. Acts xvi. 33, of the jailor. " 4. 1. Cor. i 16, the household of Ste-

But in this investigation, Squire Tan- archeology, settled in Rome near the close embracing perhaps thousands of children, of the last century, intending to stay six were baptized on the neads of them having but at a moderate promise. months, but remained fifty years solely oc-to 1946 a But we were searching for the believing fa-to the believing fa-to the believing faper, we have not found that the children of of the last century, intending to stay six were baptized on the heads of them having but at a moderata profit to cash customers and other

"5. Rom. xvi. 3-5 the family of Aquila Maitland, M. D., and also in this country, and Priscilla.

"6. Col.iv, 15, that of Nymphos. "7. Philemon 2, is that of Philemon. " 8. Acts xviii. 8, that of Crispus.

"9, 11, Timothy i. 16-18, that of Onesiphorus.

" 10. Rom xvi. 10. that of Aristobulus. " 11. Rom. xvi. 11. that of Narcissus for Baptist eyes to gaze upon, and all hung sostom and Prudentius speak of them as the or adults. Those capable of believing, upon a convenient little '1F.' Turn it dwelling-places of the Christians during the doubtless believed. Says Dr. Kurtz, and around and gaze upon it ! O, if that little persecutions in the first age of the Chris- a similar statement is made by Lyman Colethen upon the other; and no doubt you will boldly on the surface of the earth, beneath numerous series of clear and decided precewonder and admire! If a turtle swims, it which she had so long been glad to seek dents.' He further says, after a critical exis a 'water-foul;' and if it is a 'water- concealment. Here in these dens and amination of the Greek term oikos, which caves of the earth, for two hundred years corresponds with house or family in English "In addition to what has already been (from the death of the Apostles), was pro- and also of oikia, corresponding with our adduced, we learn, by an examination of bably the most perfect representation of the idea of household : ' Stricily speaking, there their primitive simpleness and purity. At such ; though individuals comprising it may least, so say they who have made this sub- have been baptized as individuals. We are ject a life-study, and who understand it the therefore narrowed down in this investigation to the Greek term oikes in the sense of

"Very well, then," said Halley, " if family ; and with this word it perfectly there is any practice or ductrine to be corresponds, ann should have slways been learned from their relics and their inscrip- so rendered when used in relation to family tions, we may be pretty well assured that it baptism. Such a translation would have preis Apostolic in its nature and character. vented all error on the subject of infant ban-Persecutions have a tendency to purify a tism. There can, correctly speaking, be no church, and to keep it pure; and we know family without children. A man and his that during its whole history in these re- wife do not constitute a family, any more treats it was in the midst of the most violent than a single gentleman who dwells under

persecutions. We find these early inscrip- the same roof with his maiden sister.' tions rude and characterized by the utmost "Let us now keep this in mind as we feminine form of the word; the masculine simplicity. We here find numerous epitaphs glance hasily over the family baptiem spo form is (pistos and poston). In 1 Cor. iv. of children, who are called 'faithfuls' and ken of in the New Testament. When the 'neophytes,' titles which could not have Apostle says (Acts xvi. 31 ). ' Believe on Lord piston. In Eph. i 1, Paul sends been bestowed upon them unless they had the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be sa-

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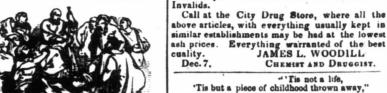
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through the Acts of the Aposiles and the subject. Episiles. It is addressed to churches as communities : as in Eph. i. 1, Col. i. 2, etc. From this it is evident that to call an individual 'a faithful' in that age, was equivalent to saying that he was a Christian brother, or a disciple of Jesus Christ, or in other words'a church member. Now it this same title was given to children, they were distinctly recognized as members of Christ's church.

"Paul, in describing the character of a and twenty-five days.' This inscription bishop, represents him as being ' the husbore the symbol of the fish and the anchor, band of one wife and having children, which mark the period of a primitive, suf-'baying children, the faithfuls,' or 'baying faithful children' (See Titus i. 6). The Greek word teknon, a child and tekna, children are De Greek word teknon, a child and tekna, ful rests bare in rests bare in the set of which are faithfuls.' The original is tekna children, say Drs. Gregory, Robinson, and other distinguished Baptist writers, means 'minors from twenty days old to twenty years.' I may add that this Greek word is used in the same sense as we use the word 'child.' Hence we may learn that the membership of children is a necessary qualification-that is, all the children the person may have, whether in the tenderest nfancy or more advanced-for the office of bishop. And the bishop was to be a model. an exemplar, to the church. It was, then, not only required of the clergy, as a Christian duty to see that all their children were consecrated to God as members of his visible church, and thereby become ' faithlist, but it is not necessary. fuls :' but also as a Christian duty it was

required of all true believers. A neglect of this duty disqualified them for prominent places in the church, as thereby they spirit-the bitterness of feeling-in which evinced a defective Christian character. they are made. He says that infant baptism and were not worthy of imitation. They is 'a heinous sin,' 'an act of daring rewere required to have their children conatitated 'faithfu's' irrespective of age; situated faithfuls irrespective of age; peated falschood, ' highhanded rebellion likely), then they were baplized and made brethern without grace; for the passage these facts, we read that Paul sent his against the Son of God, 'impious,' 'an makes no mention of the heart of any persalutations to Possilla and Aquila, and to act of impious sacrilege !' Remember that son being opened execpt Lydia's and there these charges were made by a man-prothe church in their family (See Rom. xvi. 3 and 5). Also to Nymphas and to the church in his family (Col. iv. 15). Also to of the everlasting Gospel-with the word of could not have received a believer's baptism. Philemon and to the church in his family (Philemom 2). "Now the illustrious church fathers

and writers, as Chrysostom, Theodoret, seal! Remember that God created the Theophylaci, and more recently Grotius. and also all the Greek scholiasts, maintain relation of children to parents, and also the family, and that cuts off all ' partners in that the families of these individuals were relation of children to his church, and business and jonrneymen dyers' She was all made faithfuls, and in such a manner as made special mention of them in his cove- baptized and her family, that is, her chilto be called churches. And we might naut with his people, and comprehended dren, bring forward other evidences-other terms them in all his promises; and declared which were applied to children as well as again and again that this relation should be to adult church members; but we have said unending, his covenant should be everlastto adult church members; but we have said enough on this point. If any one will be one annulling or repealing clause of this I thaving been observed of late by a number convinced by the truth at all, sufficient one annulling or repealing clause of this covenant in all God's word, but with many Firm of E. W. SUTCLIFFE & Co., that unprinevidence has already been adduced to show that our statements are correct. I will now only add a few inscriptions, marking the without one passage in the whole Bible in only add a few inscriptions, marking the any way reflecting upon the consecration of Inferior Goods to the loss and great annoyance mediately succeeded the spostles. George, can you tell me what the Catacombs of Rome are?" Christ before him, ' that his kingdom be-

"It is supposed," answered George, longe to them ;' and also in the face of all " that excavations, for building-stone, were commenced near Rome long before the age assigned to Romulus and Remus, and therean unbroken chain from the Apostles down : fore long before the Eternal City was fore long before the Eternal City was founded. A mighty people inhabited this district of Italy long before the Romans, and build those massive Etruscan tombs, and the temples in Pæstum, which, two thousand years ago, the Romans were accustomed to visit as antiquities. These ancient quarries, subterranean quarries, abound in the south of Italy, at Rome and Naples; and also are traced in Sicily, in Greece, in Asia Minor, and in nearly all content of the sector of the sector

Greece, in Asia Minor, and in nearly all slowly and thoughtfully asking, " What do prices. the Greek islands. Those at Rome are you say of household baptisms mentioned very extensive They are a network of in the New Testament, Mr. Halley " excervations, and extend to the distance of "I say they are strong corroborative test

fitcen miles, and some say even twenty, timony of our position," answered Hailey. They are a perfect labyrinth. Cicero speaks "Granting their infant or household of them in his oration for Cluentius. In beptism was a common practice, it is

beeu received by baptism into the Christian ved and thy house, ' he used the word which t Epheeus. It is also used in the plural in church. The age at which they died, of means only his own family-children only. Acts x 45, which in the original reads: And they were astonished, those of the been administered to them in any way but they spake unto him the word of the Lord, circumcision, 'the faithfuls' as many as infants. I will read some of these in- and to all that were in his house;' here scriptions and epitaphs from some of the oikia is used, and oikos is dropped. The works which George has referred to on this substitution ot oikia in the place of oikos shows that the Apostle intended to make a distinction between those who heard and

"1. 'To Romanus, the well deserving neophyte, who lived eight years.' 2 Flavia Jovina, who lived three years and signifies household; that is, servants, do-'Flavia Jovina, who lived three years and thirty days, a neophyte. In peace (she the house. It adds, 'And were baptized, there is no evidence that any others were one months, buried on the nones of Sepbaptized at the time tember.' 4. 'A faithful descended from

'In Acts xvi. 15, the baptism of Lydia aucestors who were faithfuls. Here lies is recorded. Although it is rendered, Zosimus; he lived two years, one month, when she was baptized and her household. the Greek word is used, which limits i to children, and it should have been so fering Christianity-probably the first cen- rendered. Says Dr. Kuriz : 'It is a rethree years. 7. Urica Florentina, a faith-ful, rests here in peace. She lived five years, eight months, and eight days.' 8. 'Maurentius, son of Maurentia, a most pleasing child, who lived five years, eleven much and the days and the second presenting child, who lived five years, eleven months, and two days, worthy to repose in peace among holy persons.' 9. 'Sacred to the Great God. Leopardus rests here in peace with holy spirits; having received baptism, he want to the blocked in neuron in the doily to the Great God. Leopardus rests here in peace with holy spirits; having received baptism, he want to the blocked in neuron in the doily to the Great God. Leopardus rests here in peace with holy spirits; having received baptism. he want to the blocked in neuron in the doily to the Great God. Leopardus rests here in peace with holy spirits; having received baptism. he want to the blocked in neuron in the doily spirits in the meaning to children : hence the chiestine in neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily the neuron in the doily children : hence the chiestine in the neuron in the doily the neuron in the doily the neuron in the doily the neuron in the neuron in the doily the neuron in the neuro This was placed by his parents, with whom one. It has also been urged by our brother Baptists, that Lydia was a widow lady, 10. 'Bufilia, newly baptized, who lived two years and forty day.' 11. 'To Domi-tius, an innocent newly baptized, who lived three years and forty day.' 11. 'To Domi-tius, an innocent newly baptized, who lived three years and forty day.' 11. 'To Domi-tius, an innocent newly baptized, who lived three years and forty day.' 11. 'To bomi-three years and years three years and thirty days.' There are mercantile operatious. But this objection many others which might be added to this the Rev. Mr. Slicer has answered so perfectly and satisfactorily, that I cannot refrain from repeating his words. ' They will

"Now, Squire Tanner, please look at suppose,' says he, ' that even partners in the charges made by your author on pp. 299, 302, 304, and 309; and consider the series basic and constituted brethern : were baptized and constituted brethern; although there is no intimation that she had so much as one partner, or one journeyman and if she had (which we thick very unbellion against God,' 'a continually re-likely), then they were baplized and made is no intimation that these journeymen fessedly a Christian man, and a minister either repented or believed, and of course God in his hand! Remember that he was [ appeal to you, reader, to judge who would denouncing, by virtue of his office, in the be the most fit for baptism, the children of name of God, an institution of God's own a believing mother, or a household of graceappointment, and to which he has affixed his less jurneymen dyers !' But again I reapeat the Graek term is not household but

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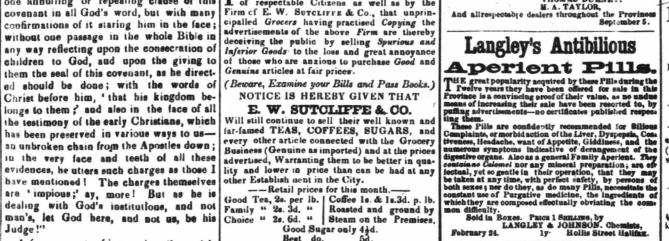
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