

First. There are those who, while they hold the old Catholic Orthodox Doctrine in most particulars, yet in respect to the Sacraments they give up their Sacramental character altogether. They regard them as nothing more than monumental memorials, and deny that they are in any special sense means of grace. This class of people used to be called Zwinglians. There are few of them left now.

Second. There are those who not only deny the Sacramental character of Baptism, but they have given up all those doctrines which give to Sacraments their necessity and their meaning. It is impossible to classify these people. Among them are to be reckoned the old-fashioned Socinians and the more modern Unitarians. In this same class are to be found the degenerate descendants of the old Puritans and of the other Protestant denominations. These people have lost sight of everything that is distinctive, not only in doctrinal but institutional Christianity. If they have the slightest semblance of Christianity left, nobody can tell what that semblance is. It is Christianity with Christ left out in all else except the name.

Of course all these people-- and it is a motley and increasing throng--will oppose, and some of them will continue to rail at, our Baptismal Service. They do not believe in the necessity that man must be "regenerate and born anew of water and the Holy Ghost," and so they would blot out that word "regenerate" or rob it of its meaning.

But all they who recognize what is meant by the First Adam and

the Second Adam and by the Federal or Covenant relations which they sustain to the whole human family, these will cling to the language of the Baptismal Service as they will cling to the fundamental truths of the Gospel which that language involves. — *New York Guardian.*

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THE Church of GOD is in the world, not as a human invention, but as a divine appointment to be applied by human hands. Its fellowship is not salvation, but is a means of salvation. Its sacraments are not a grace, but are channels of grace. The Bible is not a charm or talisman, but is a teacher or guide. Its services are not spells, but they are helps and refreshments. Its fellowship is not an order of infallibility, but it is the fellowship of the saints.—  
*Henry C. Potter, D. D.*

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"GIVE US THIS DAY OUR  
DAILY BREAD."

O JESUS infinitely gracious, infinitely loving, what great things hast thou promised! "Whoso eateth My Flesh and drinketh My Blood hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." "He that eateth My Flesh and drinketh My Blood dwelleth in Me and I in him." "He that eateth Me, even he shall live by Me." "He that eateth of this Bread shall live for ever." O "Author and Finisher of our faith," give us Thy great gift of faith that we may by faith eat and drink indeed, and win these high blessings!

Alas! how little do our souls crave for their heavenly food! Oh! what we want is appetite for the