

S. "A death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness; for being by nature born in sin and the children of wrath, we are hereby made the children of grace."

T. What do you mean by "being born in sin and the children of wrath?"

S. That I and all mankind are corrupt in our nature, and in a state of guilt and condemnation.

T. What is the thing signified?

S. "A death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness."

T. What is this "death unto sin, and new birth unto righteousness?"

S. It is the communication of a new principle of spiritual life, which destroys the power and dominion of sin in the soul, and enables it to live unto God through Jesus Christ.

T. What are you to think of a baptised person who is in an unconverted state?

S. He is to be considered as being equally far from God, as if he had never been baptised.

T. Yes, in such a case, it is plain, that the person has lost all the benefit of baptism, and therefore we should urge upon him *those things* which are required of persons in order to be baptised;

"What is required of persons to be baptised?"

S. "Repentance, whereby they forsake sin; and faith, whereby they stedfastly believe the promises of God made to them in that Sacrament."