

**REBAPTIZERS IMMERSE BORN AGAIN BELIEVERS AND REFUSE INFANT BAPTISM**

**REBAPTIZERS WERE PERSECUTED BY PROTESTANTS AND CATHOLICS**

**MANY REBAPTIZERS REJECT PROTESTANT CORE DOCTRINES**

All rebaptizers refuse to baptize their infants. Rebaptizers teach that regeneration must precede water baptism and regeneration is due to a person's cooperation with the Holy Spirit in conviction of sin and being brought to saving faith in Jesus. Rebaptizers teach that saving faith precedes regeneration, regeneration precedes election, and election is God's choosing of those "in Christ" to service.

Rebaptizers teach that predestination is God's predetermined outcome to holiness and glorification which God blesses upon all His elect (Ephesians 1:4,5). Rebaptizers of earlier centuries were persecuted by Protestants such as John Calvin, Martin Luther, and Jacob Arminius.

Rebaptizers teach that Jesus defeated sin at His sinless death by condemning sin to the utmost. Sin was allowed to crucify and kill the innocent physical body of Jesus, the Son of God. Because of this atrocity, sin is sentenced to removal from all creation. Today, sin is being removed from those who believe and receive Jesus in cooperation with Holy Spirit conviction. For the born again believer, sin is in remission as the believer puts off the old man and puts on the new man in his experience of new life in Christ. New birth gives the believer the new nature divinely indwelled by the Spirit. But the mortal flesh of the believer must struggle against the old nature and its tendencies toward sin. By the power of the Spirit, the mortal body of the believer produces righteous actions which adorn the new man forever. Ephesians 4:22-24 Revelation 19:8

Rebaptizers believe that Protestant teachings are a perversion of Scripture at its core whether they be followers of Calvin, Luther, or Arminius. Protestant teachings are generally found on the fringes of SBC churches. If these perversions were stated bluntly they would be outright rejected by born again believers. But since they are subtly introduced on the fringes they harm two groups of people. They deceive some unregenerate people into accepting a false Jesus who is only concerned with freeing them from the consequences and the guilt of sin. The second group harmed are the truly born again believers who drift into compromise with sin. The false Jesus makes people vulnerable to moral failure. There is a false Jesus lurking in the shadows and waiting on the fringes of every church to devour the unsuspecting. The false Jesus tries to plant misconceptions in your mind and lure you away from the truth. One of the many misconceptions is that God the Father punished Jesus in your place so that He would not have to punish you. This false teaching leads us to forget that we die to sin with Christ and are walking in a new relationship to Him through faith.