

**In the Beginning III**

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Graves: "The brethren want to know where you stand." Officer: "Faith, repentance, and baptism are conditions which belong to time and look to the remission of sins of the past. Love that never fails is the eternal condition which looks to the new life and everlasting salvation and happiness." Graves: "Then you do not believe that baptism is a condition in order to salvation?" Officer: "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved," looks to salvation from sins of the past, doesn't it? If it were salvation in heaven, all would rise from the waters of baptism into heaven, and enjoy eternal life."

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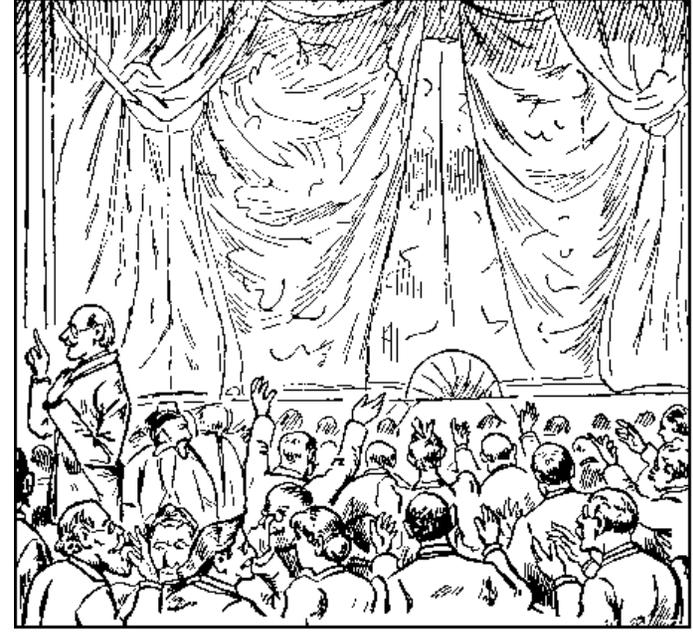
## Welcome

It is a pleasure to have you with us this hour. Our endeavor is to worship God in Spirit and in Truth by adhering to the scriptures in all that we do and teach.

If you desire to have a private Bible Study at your convenience, let us know.

<b>Website</b> _____	<b>Meeting Location</b> _____	<b>ASSEMBLIES</b>
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### I. Characteristics of God: II

- A. Deut. 7:9; 2 Cor. 1:18 - Faithful God, who keepeth covenant
- B. Deut. 33:29; 2 Sam. 22:33 - Shield and spear
- C. Exod. 20:5 - Jealous of His creation
  - 1. "The word refers directly to the attributes of God's justice and holiness, as He is the sole object of human worship and does not tolerate man's sin" (Vine's).
  - 2. Josh. 24:19 - qanna "to be jealous; to be zealous."
- D. Deut. 4:24; Heb. 12:29 - A devouring Fire
- E. Gen. 2:16-17 - God of Law
- F. Deut. 7:7; Jn. 4:16, 19 - God of Love
- G. Psa. 47:7 - King of all the earth
- H. Psa. 73:1 - God is good
- I. Psa. 99:9 - God is holy
- J. Dan. 9:14 - God is righteous
- K. Jn. 17:5 - Full of Glory
- L. Acts 10:34-35 - No respecter of persons
- M. Job 12:13-25 - All powerful

### II. God's Plan to Create:

- A. Prov. 8:22-31 - Jehovah was possessed with wisdom.
- B. Job 38:1-7 - God laid the foundations
- C. Rev. 22:13 - The beginning and the end.

"I HAVE ONLY QUOTED THE SCRIPTURES" by: Earl Kimbrough  
In his trial for heresy, held at the Popular Creek Baptist Church in Limestone County, Alabama soon after the Civil War, R. W. Officer was questioned about his teaching on baptism. He was suspected by his fellow Baptist preachers of advocating what they called "Campbellism." Dr. J. R. Graves, the influential editor of the Tennessee Baptist, had been called in to lead the examination of Officer in an effort to expose the heresy of their unorthodox brother. The part of the trial that involved baptism proceeded as follows: Graves: "I have been informed that you make baptism a condition of pardon; in other words, you teach water salvation. When is the sinner pardoned?" Officer: "Paul says the sinner is freed from sin when he obeys from the heart that form of doctrine delivered him. (Rom. 6:16,19) 'Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.' I take it that we rise from the waters of baptism to walk 'in newness of life.' (Rom. 6:1-5)." Graves: "But what will you do with what Paul says in his letter to the Galatians: 'Ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus' (Gal. 3:26)." Officer: "I will do with that just what I have done with the rest of the sentence - viz., believe it. It reads: 'For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.' (Gal. 3:27)." Graves: "But what does that mean?" Officer: "It means just what it says." Graves: "What do you believe are the conditions of pardon or remission?" Officer: "I believe just what the Bible says on the subject." Graves: "But what is your interpretation of what the Bible says on the subject?" Officer: "I suppose I have no interpretation of the Bible on any subject." Graves: "But you have; all denominations have their interpretations of the Bible. We, as Baptists, teach that repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ secures pardon. What do you think about that?" Officer: "The Bible says: 'Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God' (Jno. 3:5). 'He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved' (Mk. 16:16). To believers, Peter said: 'Repent, and be baptized...for the remission of sins.' (Acts 2:38)." Graves: "We all believe the Bible as strong as you do. Tell us what your interpretation of the texts you have quoted is. That is what we want to get at." Officer: "My interpretation is exactly what I have quoted, in other words, I have no interpretation of it. I simply believe it, just as it is written." Graves: "Do we understand you to say that all who are not baptized will go to hell, are eternally lost?" Officer: "I did not say so." Graves: "But the quotations you have made lead us to believe that is your opinion." Officer: "I have only quoted the Scriptures." Graves: "But do you or do you not believe that the unbaptized will all be lost in hell forever?...Do you believe these pious unbaptized people (Methodists and Presbyterians, E.K.) will all go to hell? Answer yes or no." Officer: "Yes or No." Graves: "Which do you say? Let us not have any foolishness about it. Do you believe the unbaptized will go to hell?" Officer: "My faith is not in the direction of hell. I am not well posted on that end of the road." (Continued on Pg. 4)