

And now I speak concerning baptism Behold Elders Priests & Teachers were baptized & they were not baptized save they brought forth fruit meet that they were worthy of it

neither did they receive any unto baptism save they came forth with a broken heart & a contrite spirit & witnessed unto the church that they trueely repented of all their sins

& none were received unto baptism save they took upon them the name of christ having a determination to serve him unto the end

& after that they had been received unto baptism & were wrought upon & cleansed by the power of the Holy Ghost they were numbered among the people of the Church of Christ & their names were taken that they might be remembered & nourished by the good word of God to keep them in the right way to keep them continually watchful unto prayer relying alone upon the merits of Christ who was the author & the finisher of their faith

& the Church did meet together oft to fast & to pray & to speak one with an other concerning the welfare of their souls

& they did meet together oft to partake of bread & wine in remembrance of the Lord Jesus

& they were strict to observe that there should be no iniquity among them & whoso was found to commit iniquity & three witnesses of the church did condemn them before the elders & if they repented not & confessed not their names were blotted out & they were not numbered among the people of Christ

but as oft as they repented & sought forgiveness with real intent they were forgiven

& their meetings were conducted by the church after the manner of the workings of the spirit & by the power of the Holy Ghost for as the power of the Holy Ghost led them whether to preach or exhort or to pray or to supplicate or to sing even so it was done

CHAPTER 6 [X][][]

Repentant persons are baptized and fellowshiped—Church members who repent are forgiven—Meetings are conducted by the power of the Holy Ghost. About A.D. 401–21.

¹And now I speak concerning baptism. Behold, **elders, priests, and teachers** were baptized; **and** they were not baptized save they brought forth fruit meet that they were worthy of it.

²Neither did they receive any unto baptism save they came forth with a broken heart **and** a contrite spirit, **and** witnessed unto the church that they tru[]ly repented of all their sins.

³**And** none were received unto baptism save they took upon them the name of **Christ**, having a determination to serve him []to the end.

⁴**And** after [X] they had been received unto baptism, **and** were wrought upon **and** cleansed by the power of the Holy Ghost, they were numbered among the people of the **church** of Christ; **and** their names were taken, that they might be remembered **and** nourished by the good word of God, to keep them in the right way, to keep them continually watchful unto prayer, relying alone upon the merits of Christ, who was the author **and** the finisher of their faith.

⁵**And** the **church** did meet together oft, to fast **and** to pray, **and** to speak one with an[]other concerning the wel[]fare of their souls.

⁶**And** they did meet together oft to partake of bread **and** wine, in remembrance of the Lord Jesus.

⁷**And** they were strict to observe that there should be no iniquity among them; **and** whoso was found to commit iniquity, **and** three witnesses of the church did condemn them before the elders, **and** if they repented not, **and** confessed not, their names were blotted out, **and** they were not numbered among the people of Christ.

⁸**But** as oft as they repented **and** sought forgiveness, with real intent, they were forgiven.

⁹**And** their meetings were conducted by the church after the manner of the workings of the **Spirit**, **and** by the power of the Holy Ghost; for as the power of the Holy Ghost led them whether to preach, or **to** exhort, or to pray, or to supplicate, or to sing, even so it was done.