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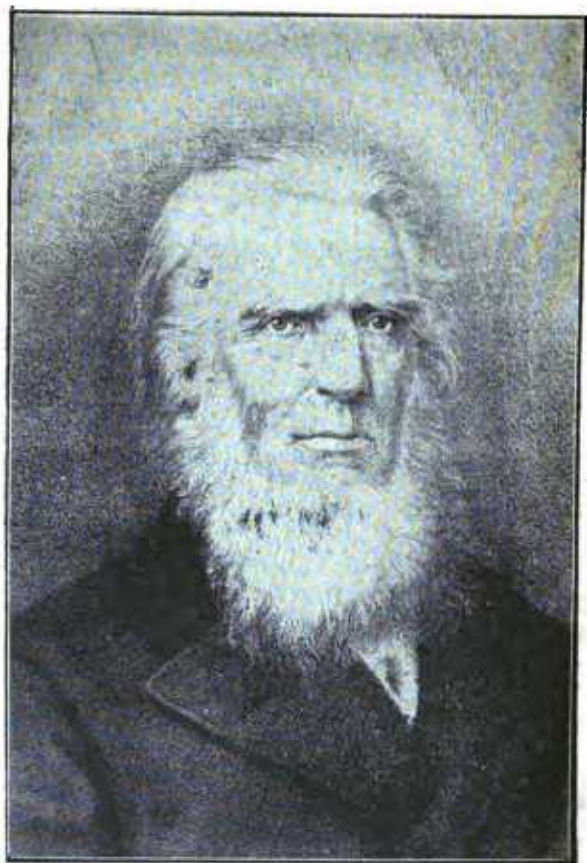
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**ALEXANDER CAMPBELL,**  
**Founder of The Campbellite Church,**  
So-called "Christian, Disciple, Church of  
Christ, Church of God," Etc. Etc.

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The following questions were presented to Eld. A. J. Minton in the Bells, Tenn., debate and the stammering answers and confusion of ideas that they occasioned on his part showed very plainly that they were nails driven in a sure place. They are published by the request of many present who heard them read, and if the present readers will present them to some belligerent Campbellite he will quickly discover that "they are loaded."

Are you and your people connected in any religious or doctrinal respect with the movement inaugurated by Alexander Campbell?

- 2 Was Campbell inspired of God to do his work?
- 3 Did not Campbell originate a movement that afterwards became known as a church?
- 4 Is not that the church to which you and your people belong? If Campbell was not inspired of God to do this work, was not his work of human origin?
- 6 Is not your church a human institution?
- 7 If it is a divine institution, will you please quote the Scripture that makes mention of it?
- 8 Was your church founded by man or God?
- 9 Was it founded by Christ or Campbell?
- 10 Was Christ ever a member of your church?
- 11 Was Campbell ever a member of it?
- 12 If Christ ever was a member of your church, please prove it?
- 13 If he never was a member, how dare you claim the name of Christian church?
- 14 Can you find the name of "Christian church" in the Bible?
- 15 Have you not sought to proselyte Baptists, Methodists and others to your faith by claiming that you had a Scriptural name?
  - 16 What is your Scriptural name?
  - 17 Who gave you this name?
  - 18 Where do you find this name in the Scripture?
  - 19 Have your own people agreed on the name you should wear?

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21 Is it the proper thing for a child to repudiate its father's name?

22 Is not Alexander Campbell your ecclesiastical father?

23 What makes you ashamed of his name?

24 If Campbell is not your church father, who is?

25 If any inspired man is, please quote the Scripture to prove it?

26 Was your church organized on Pentecost?

27 If so, who organized it? Peter?

28 What authority did he have to organize a church?

29 Please quote the Scripture that gave him the authority?

30 Can you give us the Scripture that says he organized it?

31 Can you show a passage that says a church was organized on Pentecost?

32 If there was no church before Pentecost, to what were the 3000 added on that day?

33 Can you add three thousand to nothing?

34 To what did the apostles, the seventy and the 120 belong who are mentioned before Pentecost?

35 When were the apostles set in the church?

36 Were they the first that were set in?

37 If they were not set in until on Pentecost, how could they be the first in when 3000 were put in that day?

38 If they were set in before Pentecost, then was there not a church before Pentecost?

39 Is not your claim that the church was set up on Pentecost a piece of pure buncombe any way?

40 If your church was set up on Pentecost, where has it been from that time till Campbell's day?

41 Do you believe the church set up on Pentecost was destroyed?

42 If not, please show us its succession?

43 If it was destroyed, who rebuilt it?

44 By what authority did he reorganize it?

45 Do you agree with Campbell that the church was with the Baptists until he started the reformation?

46 Are the Baptists in the church?

47 Do you regard their churches as valid gospel churches?

48 If they are not, can they administer valid baptism?

49 If not, why do you accept their baptism?



If they are gospel churches, are not your churches mere factions, since you went out of the Baptists?

If Baptist churches are not Scriptural, how can your churches be Scriptural, since you parted from us?

Has your church anything in it that is necessary to salvation that can't be had in Baptist churches?

If so, please name it?

If not, what is the use of your church?

If it has, how is it that persons who get salvation in Baptist churches are accepted just as they are by you?

✕ Is there salvation in your church at all?

If so, is your church a savior?

Then does not your church rival Christ?

Is there any other savior except Christ?

Does a man have to enter your church to reach Christ?

Can any one be saved through Christ without belonging to your church?

Do you believe all saved people are in your church?

Are any Baptists saved?

Do they belong to your church?

✕ Is salvation possible to any one out of your church?

If so, cannot salvation be had out of your church?

If it can, what is the good of your church?

Do Baptists have a genuine Lord's supper?

If they do, have they not a genuine church?

If they do not, what makes you so anxious to get some of it?

✕ Does taking a man into your church save him?

✕ Does baptizing him into a Baptist church save him?

✕ If it does, is not salvation in the Baptist church?

✕ If it does not, why do you accept him as a saved man on that baptism?

Do you baptize a dead man or a live one? ✕

If dead, is he dead to Christ, or dead to sin?

If dead to sin, is he freed from sin?

Do you baptize a child of God or a child of the devil?

If a child of the devil, does your baptism make him a child of God?

If he is a child of God, does he need baptism to make him such?

Does a man become a child of God by faith or baptism?

- Does he look to Christ or to baptism for salvation?  
 If to baptism, is he not saved by a work?  
 If to Christ what need has he for baptism to save him?  
 Is salvation of grace or of works?  
 If of grace, how can a saved man be lost?  
 Is not the saved man free from law of sin and death?  
 If free, how can he be condemned by it?  
 Is not the Christian a partaker of the divine nature?  
 Was he not born into that nature?  
 Can he any more lose that nature than you can lose the nature of your parents?  
 If the Christian is lost, won't part of the divine nature be lost?  
 Then can a child of God be lost?  
 Does a Christian leave Christ as a voluntary act of his own, or under the influence of the devil.  
 If at an act of his own, how was it possible for his loving God-nature to conceive a love for sin?  
 If by the influence of Satan, is not Satan able to overcome?  
 And if he is able to overcome one, may he not overcome all?  
 If he can overcome all, won't he do it?  
 If he don't do it, then won't that be the grace of the devil?  
 Won't we have to depend on the devil's grace to get to heaven?  
 Will any one be in heaven except such as the devil wouldn't have?  
 Then ought we not to sing a few songs to the devil's praise when we go to heaven?  
 Does not the Bible refer to sinners as "goats?"  
 Are not Christians called sheep?  
 Then does not a divine power change a "goat" to a "sheep" when a sinner is saved?  
 Can one of the Lord's sheep be finally lost?  
 Will there be any sheep on the left hand when the Lord divides them?  
 Will any sheep go away into everlasting punishment?  
 Will any goats go into life eternal?  
 Can any sheep ever be turned back into goats without the

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same divine power that turned them from goats to sheep?

Then how can any sheep be lost?

Does Christ give his sheep eternal life?

Will his sheep ever perish?

Can any one pluck them out of his hand?

Will his sheep follow a stranger?

If not, how can a stranger get them?

Is Christ the hireling or the owner of the sheep?

If he owns them, won't he die for them?

Did the real owner of the sheep ever flee from them?

If the owner stays to defend them, can the wolf get them?

When the one sheep went astray, did the shepherd go to seek it?

Did he find it?

Will one ever go astray that he don't seek after it?

How then, can one of them ever be lost?

Will all things work together for good to them who love

God?

Will a temptation from evil be for their good?

If not, all things are not for their good?

If temptations are for their good, can they be hurt by them?

If they cannot, how can they be led from Christ?

If they are not led from Christ, can they be lost?

Do we save ourselves, or does God save us?

If we save ourselves, how is it done?

If God saves us, is he not able to keep us?

If he keeps us, how can we be lost?

You argue that in conversion the Spirit operates through the truth. Will you tell us how this is done?

Does the Spirit himself really operate at all?

If so, does he operate on the Bible, the preacher or the sinner?

If on the Bible, what does he do for it?

If on the preacher, what does he do for him?

If on the sinner, what does he do for him?

Does the Spirit ever touch the sinner's heart?

Does the word touch the sinner's heart?

Is the Spirit in the word?

If so, how can the word enter the sinner's heart, and yet the Spirit not enter it?