

*Some thoughts on the royal baptism of Meghan Markle and Prince Harry's son in 2019*

First, a baby cannot be baptised for baptism in the Bible is only meant for those making an informed choice.

Second, its only for show. Do you really think Meghan Markle cares about what Jesus thinks? Who does these days? Abortion, LGBT, divorce and so on. Wealth and vanity in her case and “Christians” always give themselves away when they are so bad at forgiving. She hates Kate and William. Nominal religion is as dangerous and hypocritical as real religion and sometimes worse and nominal parents or those who are nominal in some ways produce nominal offspring.

Third, the meaning of baptism is that a baby is born unfit for God. That needs to be taken seriously and opposed vigorously. Worse it presupposes that Jesus had to die as a blood sacrifice to give power to baptism so treating it lightly means you are accused of grave cruel disrespect. Baptism involves water for as St Paul put it, it is symbolically drowning you so that you die to being an ordinary bad human being and rise to being holy like Jesus. The violent undertones are there and nobody has the right to sanitise this.

Four cultural change is coming – the religious freedom of children can and will be respected.

Five if religion is good then baptism is bad - good religion does not need gimmicks and should and will be able to attract people without them. It should be able to flow from real informed choice.

Six hardly anybody changes religion which is a bad sign. In reality they are just a bunch of nominals and nominals is what religion wants first and foremost. The religious searcher who goes wherever the heart and the truth leads is a true hero. In that context baptism is wrong.

