

LSM BAPTISM

Sitting before my computer
thinking of my upcoming baptism.
To be dunked into a pool of water.
Symbolically dying with Jesus,
and raised again a new man at 86.

After so many years of non-belief,
my mind has been drawn to the resurrection.
Wondering if was true
and now believing it is.
My wife and friends so proud.

How will my life be changed?
By being put to death, and
pulled out of the water before
my lungs are full of fluid.
I gush the snot from my nose.

To find myself surrounded by
Well-wishers and church members.
Who cheer for the new brother in Christ.
As I dry and dress,
I wonder how my life will be changed?

Outside a dressing room, I'll be met
by my wife, daughter, her husband,
and by Peyton, my grandson of 7.
I'll be kissed, hugged, and beaten on the back.
My life has been changed.

I no longer fear death,
but saved to serve those in need,
and help those who are hopeless.
Becoming a model for those who doubt,
because God loves me.

CONFUSION

I'm confused.

Free Verse

I 'md dead to the world

I'm dead to my flesh

I'm dead to the devil.

I'm dead to the world

Because I follow the world's course

Because, I don't believe in delayed gratification

Because, I don't live below my means

I'm dead to my flesh

Because, I love the wrong things

Because, I love my wife more than God

Because, I'm a wasteful consumer

I'm dead to the devil

Because, I believe his deceit and lies

Because, I have disordered desires

Because, I follow supernatural evil

I'm alive in Christ

Because, the bible is truth

Because, He died for me

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Because, I need to be saved

3-9-20

BALEYPOEMS5-31-20

LIES

Lies, lies, lies.

Every day we are surrounded by lies.

Our surroundings offer us many a prize.

A Tercet poem consists of 3
line stanzas and they all rhyme.

Many of us claim to believe,
and many times, we receive relief
or grace from God, our Chief.

However, our cultures way of life
provides idols that lead us to strife,
which cuts away our faith with a knife.

A deceitful spirit feeds us falsehoods
that we believe are durable goods,
but rather leads us into the backwoods

However, God forgives our faux pa
if we return to his commands and laws
our lives will be saved for his cause.

Super natural

Evil

Sinful things

Actions that deceive

That produce shameful feelings

Satan

A cinquain poem has
5 lines and each line has
1,2,3,4,1 words

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6-1-20

TITLE

Satan want you to have a nice life,
with a loving spouse,
and children that obey.

A job that is satisfying,
and pays enough to have a savings,
and a house with and island kitchen,
with all the modern features.

A car which costs over \$30,000,
and gets good gas mileage.

Membership to a golf course,
and activities for your wife and children.

Neighbors who are fun to be around.

A social life with the elite,
and you and your family don't follow Christ.

The problems you have with your wife.

The stress of you job.

A house needing constant repair.

A golf club run by those beyond your class.

Neighbors who make more money than you do,
and who have bigger, nicer houses.

A social live that costs an arm and a leg.

Your life is a stressed mess.

An acquaintance asks you to church.

You find a completely different atmosphere.

The sermons begin to make sense.

A pastor leads you to Christ.

You have been saved form a super natural evil.

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6-5-20

Victory

Death has not won

We are not done

We are able to run

Life can now be fun

Our lives are not over

We can play in the clover

Our lives have been prover

We can start over

Jesus did not die

Bur his followers cry

He was lifted into the sky

To sit with his father, the guy

Resurrection

The Messiah was killed

Before the Holy Day

On the Sabbath day

His disciples and devotees

Hid in fear, mourning, and sadness

On the first day of the week

Went to the tomb

Jesus was not there

He had been resurrected

He was alive. Halleluiah!

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4-14-20

Threes

Have you noticed

Things come in threes

The rule of three

The three little kittens

The three blind mice

The three stooges

Tricycle: one in front and two in back

Rock, paper, scissors

On your mark, get set, go

Up, up, and away

Fast, medium, slow

Pants, vest, jacket

Short, medium, tall

Left, right, center

Light, medium, dark

The Nina, the Pinta, the Santa Maria

Hear, speak, and see no evil

The breath, word, and path of God

The crucifixion took three days

Friday, Jesus was crucified

Saturday, sadness, grief, and sorrow

Sunday, He was not dead

He was alive

And we are saved

Jesus Saves

Holy, holy, Holy,
the angles sing
along with a quake
and endless smoke

Free Verse

Woe are we with
unclean lips,
because we can't
be in God's sight.

Like the Israeli
our shortcomings are exposed
to the full power of God
which causes us shame.

Jesus takes on our humanity
and receives God's wrath
by dying on the cross
to save us from our sins.

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Advent

It is a time to remember
the arrival of Jesus, and
using the guide provided
spending daily time with him

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