

Statement of Faith

HOLY BIBLE:

The whole Bible is divinely inspired by God. It is infallible, inerrant, and incorruptible. The Word of God is personal, alive, and is the Christian's rule of faith and practice. The Bible contains God's will towards mankind and is revealed to man by the Holy Spirit. His Word is our all-sufficient and everlasting guide for our faith and practice. (2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:12; John 16:13; 1 Peter 1: 23-25)

ONE TRUE GOD:

There is one God, the Creator of heaven and earth. He exists as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Jesus is the only begotten Son of God born of a virgin. He is now and always both fully God and fully man. By the plan of God from before the foundation of the earth, He suffered at the hands of men, was crucified, died, and was buried as a sacrifice for all sin for all time for whosoever receives Him. He defeated death and sin, was raised from the dead, and ascended into heaven. He was seated at the right hand of God, where He ever lives to make intercession for those who have chosen Him. (Romans 8:29; Colossians 1:18; Luke 1:32-33; Hebrews 1:2-3; Acts 2:22-36; Hebrews 2:14-17; Revelation 1:8; Ephesians 1:20-23; Hebrews 2:10)

MAN:

God created man in His image and placed him on the earth to have dominion over the works of His hands, as he walks in fellowship with and in obedience to Him (Genesis 1:26-27; Genesis 3:1-7; Genesis 3:15-16). God wonderfully and unmistakably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God (Genesis 1:26-27, Jeremiah 1:5, Psalm 139:14).

SALVATION:

Man's only hope of redemption and restoration to God is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ at the cross of Calvary. This redemption is for both this present life and the life that is to come, heaven as our eternal home with God. It is offered to every man, woman, and child. The choice to receive this redemption is one that each person has to make for himself. Salvation is received by faith in Jesus Christ and Him alone, not by any human works or goodness. (Colossians 1:14; 1 Timothy 4:8; Romans 10:9).

HOLY SPIRIT:

We believe in the fruit the Holy Spirit brings and all the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is active in the world today and in the lives of every believer who receives Him, empowering them to do the miracle works of Jesus.

CHURCH:

The church is the body of Christ on the earth, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of the great commission. (Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:19-22; Hebrews 12: 23).

BAPTISM:

Water baptism is an outward sign of an inward change of heart. This change happens when one receives Jesus as Lord and Savior, and it is what is called the New Birth. (Acts 8:35-39; Romans 6:3-4)

SECOND COMING:

Jesus Christ is coming again to gather His Saints to be with Him. (1 Corinthians 15:51-52; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Titus 2:13)

THE LORD'S SUPPER:

Holy Communion consists of partaking of the elements of bread and wine(juice) signifying our identification with the broken body and shed blood of Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 11:23-32; Acts 4:6-47)

MARRIAGE:

The Word of God on marriage is the basis for our faith and practice. It is a holy covenant made between a man and a woman that makes them one. The marriage covenant requires the married parties to be faithful, loving, and helpful to each other as long as they both shall live. (Genesis 2:24; Prov.31:10-31; Mal. 2:14-16; Matt. 19:3-9; Eph. 5:22-33; 6:1-4; 1 Thess. 2:7, 11; 1 Tim. 3:1-12; 5:4; 1Pet. 3:1-7).