What Baptist Believe



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Biblical Authority - All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness. 2 Timothy 3:16

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Autonomy of the Church - Each local congregation is free to act for and govern itself with Jesus Christ as the head of the church. Colossians 1:18

Priesthood of the Believer - We have no intermediate authority between us and God. For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus. 1 Timothy 2:5

Two Ordinances: Baptism and The Lords Supper - Believers Baptism is by immersion and is a testimony of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. Matthew 3:13-15, Colossians 2:12 The Lord Supper is a reminder of the sacrifice Jesus made for us. ... do this in remembrance of Me. 1 Corinthians 11: 25

Individual Soul Liberty – every individual has the liberty to choose what his soul dictates is right ... each of us will give an account of ourselves to God. Romans 14:12

Saved by Grace Through Faith - For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast. Ephesian 2:8-9

Two offices of the Church: Pastors and Deacons – The pastor is the under-shepherd (under Christ) leading the local church. Deacons support the pastor and minister to the needs of the church members. 1 Timothy 3:1-13, Ephesians 4:11-13, Acts 6:3

Separation of Church and State - Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established... Romans 13:1

The beliefs listed above are not universal across all Baptist churches, or denominations.

