

Statement of Faith

1. The Bible

The only divinely inspired and infallible Word of God, our final authority in all matters of faith, conduct, and truth (*II Timothy 3:16; II Peter 1:20-21*).

2. The One True God

Existing eternally as three persons - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit (*Luke 3:22; Matthew 28:19; II Corinthians 13:14*).

3. The Lord Jesus Christ

His pre-existence and deity (*John 1:1-3*), incarnate by virgin birth (*John 1:14; Matthew 1:18-23*), sinless life (*Hebrews 4:15*), substitutionary death (*II Corinthians 5:21*), bodily resurrection (*Luke 24:36-43*), ascension into heaven and present ministry (*Hebrews 4: 14-16*), and coming again (*Acts 1:11*).

4. The Holy Spirit

His personality (*John 16:7-15*) and deity (*Acts 5:34*), and His work in each believer (*Romans 8:9*), and filling (*Ephesians 5:18*) to empower for Christian life and service (*Ephesians 3:16, Acts 1:8, Galatians 5:22-23*).

5. Man

His creation in the image of God (*Genesis 1:26-28*), but man sinned and all are sinners (*Romans 3:23*), in need of salvation (*John 3:3-5*).

6. Salvation

We are saved by grace of God, received as the gift of God through personal faith in Jesus Christ (*Ephesians 2:8-9*), we come repenting of our sins, confessing Him as Lord before men, and receiving baptism into Him (*Matthew 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 8; Acts 16; Romans 10:10*).

7. The Church

The Church is the body and bride of Christ (*Ephesians 1:22-23; 5:25-32*), composed of all believers (*I Corinthians 12:12-13*), growing together in fellowship and ministry (*Ephesians 4:11-16, Acts 2*).

8. Christian Life & Holiness

A lifestyle that strives for righteousness, good works and separation unto God from the evil ways of the world (*Romans 12:1-2*), manifested by speaking the truth (*James 5:12*), maintaining the

sanctity of the home (*Ephesians 5:22, 6:4*), settling differences between Christians in accordance with the Word of God (*I Corinthians 6:1-8*), exhibiting the fruit of the spirit (*Galatians 5:22-23*), and maintaining a life of prayer (*Ephesians 6:18; Philippians 4:6*).

9. Ordinances

The Christian should observe the ordinances of our Lord, which are 1) baptism of believers by immersion (*Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Romans 6:1-6*) and 2) the Lord's Supper (*I Corinthians 11:20-34; Acts 2:42; Acts 20:7*).

10. Satan

His existence and personality as the great adversary of God and His people (*Revelation 12: 1-10*), his judgment (*John 12:3 1*), and final doom (*Revelation 20:10*).

11. Future Life

The conscious existence of the dead (*Philippians 1:21-23; Luke 16:19-31*), the resurrection of the body (*John 5:28-29*), the judgment and reward of believers (*Romans 14:10-12; II Corinthians 5:10*), the judgment and condemnation of unbelievers (*Revelation 20:11-15*), the eternal life of the saved (*John 3:16*), and the eternal punishment of the lost (*Matthew 25:46; Revelation 20:15*).