

Statement of Faith

We believe that the Bible is the Word of God and that it is plenary, verbally inspired and our sole authority in all matters of faith and practice.

2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 Corinthians 3:13; Mark 13:11; Acts 1:16

We believe in one God, the divine Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, eternally coexisting and equal in essence and attributes, yet distinct in office and activity.

Mark 12:29; John 1:1-4; Matthew 28:19-20; 2 Corinthians 13:14

We believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, His virgin birth, incarnation, sinless life, miracles, substitutionary atoning death on the cross, His bodily resurrection from the grave, His high priestly work in Heaven, and His personal, visible, glorious, imminent, premillennial return to earth to set up His Kingdom.

John 3:16; Matthew 1:21-23; John 1:14; John 8:46; John 2:11; Romans 5:8-10; Hebrew 7:25; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Triune Godhead, who convicts the world of sin, righteousness and judgment; who regenerates, leads, comforts, enlightens, sanctifies and seals the believer.

John 16:8-11; John 3:5; 1 Corinthians 1:2-30; Ephesians 1:14-18

We believe that man was made in the image of God, that originally he was sinless and pure but that he sinned in Adam as the natural head of the race, and is now sinful by nature and by choice and is in need of salvation.

Genesis 1:27; 2:17; Romans 5:12-19; Ephesians 2:1-3

We believe that our redemption has been accomplished solely by the shedding of Christ's blood and that salvation is appropriated by faith in Christ and that by this faith we are justified from all things. This salvation is apart from human works or ceremonies.

Leviticus 17:11; Matthew 25:23; Romans 5:6-9; Romans 5:1; Ephesians 2:8-9

We believe that the Church has a twofold aspect:

That the Church of Jesus Christ is a living spiritual body of which He is the head and of which all regenerated persons are members. This is the universal aspect of the Church;

That the local Church is a group of believers in Christ Jesus, immersed in water on a credible confession of faith, and association together voluntarily for worship, fellowship and service. We believe that to these local Churches two ordinances -- those of the believer's baptism by immersion and of the Lord's Supper -- were committed for perpetual observance.

Romans 5:12; Hebrews 12:23; Acts 2:41-47; I Corinthians 11:23-26

We believe that the ordinance of baptism is the immersion of the believer in water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, thus symbolizing the believer's previous experience of regeneration through faith and his union in the death, burial and resurrection of Christ as set forth in Romans 6:3-11, the Lord's supper instituted by Christ being, therefore, a memorial of His atoning death.

Matthew 28:19-20; Matthew 26:26-30

We believe that the local Church is independent and autonomous and must, therefore, be free from interference from any ecclesiastical or political authority and that therefore the State and Church must be kept separate, as having different functions.

We believe that God's Word declares that the believer should lead a separate life and so live after the Spirit that he will not fulfill the desires of the flesh, but since the flesh will be with the believer to the end of his earthly life, it needs, therefore, to be kept in subjection to Christ.

Romans 8:12-13; 13:14; Galatians 5:16-25; Ephesians 4:22-24; Colossians 3:1-20; I John 3:5-9

We believe that God has ordained that marriage is between one biological man and one biological woman and that any sexual activity engaged in outside of marriage is contrary to His will. We believe that God's grace is offered to any and all who have sinned or are currently sinning in this area of their lives if they repent and put their trust in Jesus.

Gen. 2:24; Rom. 1:26-7, I Cor. 6:9-11, 18-20; I Thess. 4:3-8; Heb. 13:4

We believe in the resurrection of the body; the eternal existence of all men either in heaven or in hell; in Divine judgment; in rewards and punishments; and in the certain fulfillment of all the Biblical prophecies.

I Corinthians 15:35-58; Revelation 20:12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:10-11