

# Statement of Faith

We believe in...

- **Scripture** - God has definitively revealed Himself by His Word (Old and New Testaments), through the Holy Spirit, in various times, cultures, and genres, all for the glory of God and the salvation of humanity. By the testimony of the Holy Spirit, we therefore believe that the Holy Scriptures are authoritative and inerrant truth, and that a proper interpretation of Scripture is Scripture itself.  
*(2 Peter 1:21, Hebrews 1:1-2, Romans 10-11, 1 John 4:1, 2 Timothy 3:16)*
- **One true God existing eternally as three persons** - The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *(Luke 3:22, Matt 28:19, and II Cor 13:14)*
- **The Lord Jesus Christ** - His pre-existence and deity; incarnation by virgin birth; sinless life; substitutionary death; sin-pardoning value; bodily resurrection from the tomb; ascension into Heaven and present ministry; personal, visible, and imminent return and resurrection of both the just and unjust. *(John 1:1-3, John 1:14 & Matt 28:18-23, Hebrews 4:15, II Cor 5:21, Luke 24: 36-43, Heb 4:14-16, Acts 1:11, John 5:28-29 & I Thes 4: 13-18)*
- **The Holy Spirit** - His personality and deity; his work in each believer: baptism & indwelling at the moment of regeneration and filling to empower for Christian life and service. *(John 16:7-15, Acts 5:3-4, I Cor 12:13, Rom 8:9, Eph 5:18, Eph 3:16-19, Acts 1:8, & Gal 5:22-23)*
- **The creation and fall of man** - His direct creation in the image of God, subsequent fall into sin resulting in spiritual death and the necessity of the new birth for salvation. *(Gen 1:26-28 & Eccl 7:29, Gen 3:1-24 & Rom 5:12, John 3:3-5)*
- **Salvation** - Received as the gift of God through personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and His finished work. *(Eph 2:8-9, Titus 3:5-7, & I Peter 1:18-19)*
- **The existence and final judgment of Satan** - His existence and personality as the great adversary of God and His people his judgment and final doom. *(Rev 12:1-10, John 12:31, Rev 20:10)*
- **The Church of Jesus Christ** - One true church composed of all true believers. *(Eph 1:22-23 & 5:25-32, I Cor 12:12-13)*
- **The Christian life** - *(Rom 12:1-2)*

This Statement of Faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God, speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind and is the sole and final source of all that we believe.

*\* All Scripture references used in the Statement of Faith come from the NASB.*