



Statement of Faith

We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, supernaturally inspired and inerrant in the original manuscripts. The Scriptures have been preserved by God in its verbal, plenary inspiration and is the divinely authoritative standard for every age and every life.

We believe that the Godhead exists eternally in three persons; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and that these three are one God. **We believe** that God is the absolute and sole creator of the universe and that creation was by divine command. **We believe** that God, by His sovereign choice and out of love for men, sent Christ into the world to save sinners.

We believe that Jesus Christ in the flesh was both God and man. That He was born of a virgin and that He lived a sinless life; that He was crucified, died as a penalty for our sins, and was raised from the dead bodily on the third day. Later, He ascended to the Father's right hand where He is the head of the church and intercedes for believers, and from whence He is coming again personally, bodily, and visibly to this earth to set up His millennial kingdom.

We believe that in His death and by His shed blood, the Lord Jesus Christ made a perfect atonement for sin and redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us. Men are saved and justified on this simple and single foundation. **We believe** that such salvation with its forgiveness of sins, its impartation of a new nature, and its hope of eternal life, is entirely apart from good works, baptism, church membership or man's effort and is of pure grace.

We believe that a true believer is eternally secure, that he cannot lose his salvation, but that sin may interrupt the joy of his fellowship with God and bring the loving discipline of his heavenly Father. **We believe** that all who receive Christ become joint heirs with Him, and at death, their spirits depart to be with Christ in conscious blessedness. **We believe** that at rapture, their bodies will be raised to the likeness of the body of His glory and dwell forever in divine presence.

We believe that the goal of every Christian should be to become a disciple of Christ by growing toward spiritual maturity through the knowledge of and obedience to the Word of God, and submission to the Holy Spirit who indwells and seals all believers at the moment of salvation. Believers must seek the fullness of the Spirit since it is His influence that will bring about victorious Christian living on earth. **We believe** that every true Christian is to be a dynamic part of a local church since this is God's primary context for spiritual development and community impact.