



STATEMENT OF FAITH

GOD

God is the creator and ruler of the universe. He is one God existing in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God. The purpose of all things is the glory of God. We believe that God is 'in charge' (sovereign) of all things.

JESUS CHRIST

Jesus is the Son of God. He is co-equal with the Father. Jesus lived a sinless life and gave his life as a sacrifice for our sins. He arose from the dead on the third day to demonstrate his power over sin and death. Jesus Christ is the only way to God. He ascended to Heaven and will return again someday to earth to reign as King of kings and Lord of lords.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is of the same substance and equal in power and glory with the Father and the Son. The Holy Spirit inspired the writing of Scripture. He makes men and women aware of their need for Jesus Christ and brings them to faith. He is given to every believer at the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. As Christians we seek to live under his control daily.

THE BIBLE

The Bible is God's Word to us. It is written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. Because it is inspired by God, it is the truth without any mixture of error. What the Bible truly affirms, we affirm as true.

HUMANS

People are made in the image of God, to be like Him in character. People are the supreme object of God's creation. All of us are marred by an attitude of disobedience called "sin". Sin separates people from God in time and eternity and is the cause of the many problems of life.

SALVATION

Salvation is God's free gift to us. We can never earn or deserve God's salvation. Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God's offer of forgiveness can anyone be saved from sin's penalty. When we turn from our self-ruled life and turn to Jesus in faith we are declared righteous in God's sight and are saved. Eternal life begins the moment one receives Jesus Christ into his or her life by

faith. Those who truly believe are saved eternally and will never totally or finally fall away from God, but will continue in our faith until the end of life.

ETERNITY

People were created to exist forever. We will exist eternally separated from God by sin, or eternally with God through forgiveness and salvation. To be eternally separated from God is Hell. To be eternally in union with Him is eternal life. There will be a final judgment at which those who have believed in Christ will be saved and those who reject Him will be condemned.

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