

## Statement of Faith

**WE BELIEVE** the Holy Scriptures to be the verbally-inspired Word of God in their entirety, the final authority for faith and life, without error in the original writings, infallible, and Godbreathed (2 Tim. 3:1617; Matt. 5:18; 2 Pet. 1:2021; John 16:1213).

**WE BELIEVE** in one triune God, eternally existing in Three Persons: —Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Deut. 6:4; 2 Cor. 13:14).

**WE BELIEVE** that the eternal Son of God became man, without ceasing to be God, having been conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, having lived a sinless life, in order that He, the Lord Jesus Christ, might reveal God and redeem sinful men (John 1:1, 2, 14; Luke 1:35). We believe that He accomplished our redemption through His death on the cross and that our justification is made sure by His literal, physical resurrection from the dead (Rom. 3:2425; 1 Pet. 1:35).

**WE BELIEVE** that the Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Trinity, though omnipresent from all eternity, took up His abode in the world in a special sense on the day of Pentecost, and according to the divine promise, dwells in every believer. By His baptism, which occurs at conversion, He unites all believers to Christ in one body and, that He, as the indwelling One, is the source of all power and all acceptable worship and service, and our helper/comforter (John 14:1617; 16:715; 1 Cor. 6:19; Eph. 2:22, John 14:26).

**WE BELIEVE** that salvation is a gift, made available through the grace of God totally apart from meritorious works on the part of sinful men, and must be personally appropriated by faith in Jesus Christ alone (John 1:12; 5:24; Acts 4:12; Rom. 4:45; Gal. 3:1014; Eph. 2:89).

**WE BELIEVE** in the bodily resurrection of all men: --the saved to eternal life and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment (Matt. 25:46; John 5:2829; 11:2526; Rev. 20:613).

**WE BELIEVE** in the sure return of the Lord Jesus Christ to establish His Kingdom on earth, that this second coming will be a literal, bodily, personal return, and that His coming for His bride, the Church, constitutes the "blessed hope" set before us, for which we should be constantly watching (Matt. 24:27, 30, 40; John 14:13; 1 Thess. 1:10; 4:1317).