

Doctrinal Statement for Truth Evangelism

THE BIBLE, GOD'S HOLY WORD

We believe that the King James Bible is the inspired, inerrant and infallible word of God for the English speaking people.

THE GODHEAD

We believe in one Triune God, eternally existing in three persons, specifically, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, each co-eternal in being, co-identical in nature, coequal in power and glory, and having the same attributes and perfections as shown throughout Scripture as noted in Deuteronomy 6:4, Matthew 28:19, II Corinthians 13:14, John 14:10, and John 14:26.

THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST JESUS

First of all, we believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, became man, without ceasing to be God, having been conceived by the Holy Spirit of God and born of the virgin Mary, in order that he might reveal God and redeem sinful men as noted in Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 9:6, Luke 1:35, John 1:1-2, John 1:14, II Corinthians 5:19-21, Galatians 4:4-5, Philippians 2:5-8, etc.

Secondly, we believe that the Lord Jesus Christ accomplished our redemption through his death on the cross as a representative, vicarious, substitutionary sacrifice, and that our justification is made sure by his literal, physical resurrection from the dead as described in the word of God in Acts 2:18-36, Romans 3:24-25, I Peter 2:24, Ephesians 1:7, I Peter 1:3-5, etc..

Lastly, we believe that the Lord Jesus Christ ascended bodily to Heaven, and is now exalted at the right hand of God, where, as our High Priest, he fulfills the ministry of representative, intercessor, and advocate as recorded in Acts 1:9-10, Hebrews 7:25, Hebrews 9:24, Romans 8:34, I John 2:1-2.

THE PERSON AND WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit or Holy Ghost of God is a Person who convicts the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment; and, that he is the supernatural agent in spiritual regeneration, baptizing all believers into the body of Christ at the moment

of salvation, indwelling and sealing them until the day of redemption as noted in John 16:8-11, Romans 8:9, I Corinthians 12:12-14, II Corinthians 3:6, and Ephesians 1:13-14.

We further believe that he, the Holy Spirit or Holy Ghost of God, is the Divine Teacher who assists all believers to understand and appropriate the Scriptures and that it is the privilege and duty of all the saved to be filled with the Holy Spirit of God for his use and service as taught in Ephesians 1:17-18, Ephesians 5:18, and in I John 2:20 and I John 2:27.

We believe that God is wise and gracious in the bestowal of spiritual gifts to every believer. God uniquely uses evangelists, pastors, and teachers in this present church age to equip believers in order that they can do the work of the ministry as stated in Romans 12:3-8, I Corinthians 12:4-11, I Corinthians 12:28, and Ephesians 4:7-12.

THE PERSONALITY OF SATAN

We believe that Satan is a person, the author of sin and the cause of the fall of mankind; that he is the open and declared enemy of God and all mankind; and that he shall be eternally punished in the Lake of Fire for his open rebellion against God as stated in Job 1:6-7, Isaiah 14:12-17, Matthew 4:2-11, Matthew 25:41, and Revelation 20:10.

SALVATION

We believe that salvation is the gift of God brought to sinful man by grace and is received by personal faith in the finished work of the Lord Jesus Christ, Whose precious blood was shed on the cross of Calvary for the forgiveness of sins as seen throughout the Bible, but especially in John 1:12, Ephesians 1:7, Ephesians 2:8-10, and I Peter 1:18-19.

THE ETERNAL SECURITY AND ASSURANCE OF BELIEVERS

We believe that all the redeemed, once saved by grace through faith in Christ Jesus, are kept by God's power and are thus secure in Jesus Christ forever as shown to be true in John 6:37-40, John 10:27-30, Romans 8:1, Romans 8:38-39, I Corinthians 1:4-8, and I Peter 1:4-5.

THE CHURCH

We believe that the church, which is the body and espoused bride of Christ, is solely made up of born again persons as shown in I Corinthians 12:12-14, II Corinthians 11:2, Ephesians 1:22-23, and in Ephesians 5:25-27.

SEPARATION

We believe that all the saved should live in such a manner as not to bring reproach upon their Saviour and Lord as declared in Romans 12:1-2, Romans 14:13, II Corinthians 6:14 - II Corinthians 7:1, II Timothy 3:1-5, I John 2:15-17, and II John 9-11.

THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST

We believe in the “blessed hope”, the personal, imminent return of our Lord Jesus Christ who will rapture his church out of this world prior to the seven-year tribulation period foretold in God’s word. At the end of the Tribulation, Jesus Christ himself will personally and visibly return to Earth with his saints, to establish his earthly Messianic Kingdom which was promised to the nation of Israel as we read in Psalm 89:3-4, Daniel 2:31-45, Zechariah 14:4-11, I Thessalonians 4:13-18, Titus 2:13, Revelations 3:10, Revelation 19:11-16, and Revelation 20:1-6.

THE ETERNAL STATE OF THE SAVED AND THE UNSAVED

We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved resurrected to eternal life with Christ, and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment in the Lake of Fire for their rejection of Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour as written in Matthew 25:41-46, John 5:28-29, John 11:25-26, Revelation 20:5-6, Revelation 20:12-13.

We also believe that the souls of the redeemed are, at death, absent from the physical body and present with the Lord in Heaven, where in conscious bliss they await the first resurrection, when spirit, soul, and body are reunited to be glorified forever with the Lord as stated in Luke 23:43, II Corinthians 5:8, Philippians 1:23, Philippians 3:21, I Thessalonians 4:16-17, and Revelation 20:4-6.

We further believe that the souls of unbelievers remain, after death, in conscious punishment and torment in Hell until the second resurrection, when with the soul and body reunited they shall appear at the Great White Throne Judgment, and shall be cast into the Lake of Fire, not to be annihilated, but to suffer everlasting conscious punishment and torment as taught in Matthew 25:41-46, Mark 9:43-48, Luke 16:19-26, II Thessalonians 1:7-9, Jude 6-7, and Revelation 20:11-15.

AUTHORITY OF THIS STATEMENT OF FAITH

This Statement of Faith does not exhaust the extent of our faith. The Bible itself is the sole and final source of all that we believe. We do believe, however, that the foregoing Statement of Faith accurately represents the teaching of the Bible, and therefore, is binding upon Truth Evangelism.