



Statement Regarding Christian Faith

The Bible

We believe that God reveals himself to humanity through everything he has created and sustains. In addition, we believe that God makes himself more clearly and specifically known through the Christian Scriptures, which are the only inerrant and infallible Word of God. These Scriptures are made up of 66 books, from Genesis to Revelation. They are our ultimate rule for our faith and the practice of that faith in the world.

The Trinity

We believe that there is one living and true God, eternally existent in three Persons of one power, substance, and eternity—Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is perfect in all his ways. He is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient. He depends on nothing and is complete in himself. He is perfectly holy, good, just, and merciful. He creates, sustains, and governs by the power of his word.

Deity of Jesus

We believe in the full deity and humanity of the Lord Jesus Christ, and that these two natures were inseparably joined together in one person, as the Son of God. We believe in his virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, vicarious and atoning death on a cross, bodily resurrection, ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in his personal return, upon which those who reject him will suffer eternal judgment; whereas those who have received him will enjoy eternal life.

Sin

We believe that Adam was created by God from the dust of the ground and formed after God's image and likeness, which was good, righteous, and holy; but also in a state of probation, with the choice to do good or evil. We believe in Adam's original sin which caused all humanity to fall into a normative state of sin, with a desire to do evil. And for this, humanity is condemned, but not without hope.

Salvation

We believe that salvation is possible by grace through faith alone in Jesus Christ, as God's means of salvation. We believe that God freely justifies people by pardoning their sins, and by accounting and accepting them as righteous, for the sake of Jesus Christ alone, and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit

We believe that the Holy Spirit dwells in those who have been saved by faith and are enabled to live a godly life. We believe that good works are only those which arise from true faith, conform to God's Word, and are done for His glory and that faith without works is dead.