

Statement of Faith

God is the Creator and ruler of the universe. He eternally exists in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, who together are God.

We are all made in the spiritual image of God to be like Him in character. We are the supreme objects of God's creation. Although mankind has tremendous potential for good, we are marred by an attitude of disobedience towards God called "sin." This attitude separates us from God. We are created beings and never will become God.

We all were created to exist forever. We will either exist eternally separated from God by sin or in union with God through forgiveness and salvation. The place of eternal separation from God is called Hell. Heaven is the place of eternal union and eternal life with God.

Jesus Christ is the only Son of God. Jesus lived a sinless human life and offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of all by dying on a cross. He arose from the dead after three days to demonstrate His power over sin and death. He ascended back into Heaven and will return to earth to reign as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Salvation is a gift from God to mankind. We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or good works. Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God's offer of forgiveness can we be saved from sin's penalty. A relationship with God as a Christian begins the moment we receive Jesus Christ into our life by faith.

Because God gives us eternal life through Jesus Christ, the believer is secure in this salvation for eternity. Salvation is maintained by the grace and power of God, not by the self-effort of the Christian. It is the grace and keeping power of God that gives this security.

The Holy Spirit is present in the world to make mankind aware of our need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. The Christian seeks to live under His control daily.

The Bible is God's complete word to all mankind. It was 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 truth without any error.

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