

## **God**

We believe there is one God who exists in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience – indeed, we owe Him our all.

## **Jesus**

We believe Jesus is the Son of God, was born of a virgin, is fully God and became fully man, lived a sinless life, died in our place as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of mankind, was buried, arose bodily from the grave, and ascended to heaven to the right hand of God the Father where He intercedes for believers. We also believe that He will literally return to earth one day. He is our Wonderful Master, Savior, and Friend.

## **Holy Spirit**

We believe the Holy Spirit of God convinces unbelievers of their need for salvation. He also lives in all believers to teach, guide, comfort, empower, and gift them in their walk with and service for God.

## **The Bible**

We believe the Bible is the inspired, infallible, inerrant Word of God, the sole authority for life and faith. We believe it has the power to change lives when people are exposed to and respond to its message.

## **Man**

We believe humanity is God's special creation, made in God's own image, the crowning work of God's creation. However, because of the sin of Adam, the first man, all people are sinners separated from God and in need of His salvation.

## **Salvation**

We believe salvation is a gift received through repentance from sin and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that every person who is truly saved is eternally secure in Christ.

## **The Church**

We believe a church is a local gathering of the family of God made up of baptized believers who have covenanted together to follow the teachings of the Bible, led by the head of the church, Jesus Christ.

## **Baptism and the Lord's Supper**

We believe baptism is an act of obedience by those who have placed their faith in Jesus Christ, demonstrating outwardly what happened in their life when they surrendered to Christ. We also believe that the biblical pattern for baptism is immersion in water. We believe that the Lord's Supper is a memorial to the Lord's death, celebrated by those who have accepted Him as their Lord and Savior and followed Him in believer's baptism by immersion, that reminds us of His sacrifice for us on the cross and of His promised return.

## **Resurrection and Eternity**

We believe in the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ and in the final bodily resurrection of all men, just and unjust. We believe that those who die with their sins forgiven through Jesus Christ will spend eternity with God in heaven and that those persons who die in their sins without Christ will spend eternity separated from God in hell. Therefore, we make it our endeavor to share with every person how they can have eternal life in Christ.