



## **Statement of Faith**

### **The Bible**

The sixty-six canonical books of the Bible as originally written were inspired of God, hence free from error. They constitute the only infallible guide in faith and practice (John 1:1 - 14; 2 Timothy 3:15 - 17).

### **God**

There is one God, the Creator and Preserver of all things, infinite in being and perfection. He exists eternally in three Persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (Deuteronomy 6:41; 1 John 5:7).

### **Sin**

God created Adam and Eve in his own image. By disobedience, they fell from their sinless state through the temptation by Satan. From this condition we can be saved only by the grace of God, through faith, on the basis of the work of Jesus Christ, and by the agency of the Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:26,27; Romans 5:14, 17).

### **Jesus**

The eternally pre-existent Son became incarnate without human father, by being born of the Virgin Mary. Thus, in the Lord Jesus Christ, divine and human natures were united in one Person, both natures being whole, perfect, and distinct. To affect salvation, he lived a sinless life and died on the cross as the sinner's substitute, shedding his blood for the remission of sins. On the third day he rose from the dead in the body, which had been laid in the tomb (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18 - 23).

### **The Holy Spirit**

The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Triune God. He applies to man the work of Christ. By justification and adoption, we are given a right standing before God; by regeneration, sanctification, and glorification our nature is renewed (Titus 3:5; Romans 8:1 - 10).

### **The Resurrection of the dead**

At the end of the age, the bodies of the dead shall be raised. The righteous shall enter into full possession of eternal bliss in the presence of God, and the wicked shall be condemned to eternal death (1 Corinthians 15:51-55; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28).