

# This We Believe

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## **1. We believe in one true and living God—Who is three persons**

**Psa 14:1** The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God...

**Psa 19:1** The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

**Psa 19:2** Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

**Psa 19:3** *There is* no speech nor language, *where* their voice is not heard.

**Deu 6:4** Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God *is* one LORD:

**1Jn 5:7** For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

## **2. We believe the Bible is God's word—And our rule of faith and practice**

**2Ti 3:16** All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

**2Ti 3:17** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

**2Pe 1:21** For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

**Joh 17:17** ...thy word is truth.

**1Ti 3:15** ...the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

## **3. We believe in a depraved humanity (Unwilling and unable to come to God of self)**

**Rom 5:12** Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

**Eph 2:3** ...by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

**Rom 3:10** ...There is none righteous, no, not one...

**Rom 3:12** ...there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Joh 5:40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

Joh 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him...

1Co 2:14 ...the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

#### **4. We believe God chose whom He would save (Not based on any foreseen merit)**

Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Eph 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world...

Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

Eph 1:6 To the praise of the glory of his grace...

Rom 9:11 (For *the children* being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)

Rom 9:13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

Rom 9:16 So then *it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

#### **5. We believe Jesus is a Successful Savior (Of the particular people God gave to Him)**

Mat 1:21 ...thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

Heb 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption *for us*.

Isa 53:6 ...the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all...

Isa 53:8 ...for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

Rev 1:5 ...Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

2Co 5:21 For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Heb 10:14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Rom 5:9 ...being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Rom 5:10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

2Co 5:18 ...God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ...

Isa 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied...

Rom 8:33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? *It is* God that justifieth.

2Ti 1:8 ...the gospel according to the power of God;

2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

## **6. We believe in unassisted Holy Spirit regeneration (*'Born again'* without man's help)**

Joh 3:8 The wind bloweth where it listeth...so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

Joh 5:25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Eph 2:1 And you *hath he quickened*, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

Eph 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

Eph 2:3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Eph 2:4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

Eph 2:5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

Eph 1:19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

Eph 1:20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead...

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace...faith,

1Jn 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God...

## **7. We believe all God's people get to heaven (From a state of grace to a state of glory)**

Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Rom 8:38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Rom 8:39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Joh 10:27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

Joh 10:28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand.

Joh 6:39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.

## **8. We believe Jesus built His church (And that He is still her head)**

Mat 16:18 ...I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Mat 28:18 ...All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Mat 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Mat 28:20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

Act 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added *unto them* about three thousand souls.

Act 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

1Ti 3:15 ...the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

Gal 1:6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

Gal 1:7 Which is not another...

## **9. We believe God gives faith—And faith in Jesus should change how we live life**

Mat 4:17 ...Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand

### **A. Faith is not for getting life—Faith is for living life—For looking to and for Jesus**

Rom 1:17 ...The just shall live by faith.

1Th 1:8 ...but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad...

1Th 1:9 ...and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God;

1Th 1:10 And to wait for his Son from heaven...

### **B. Faith draws us to Jesus—Leads us to peace —Gives realness & proof to our hope**

Luk 8:48 ...Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.

Heb 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

## **10. We believe good works are reasonable for those who believe in Jesus and His gospel**

Rom 6:1-2 ...Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid...

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.

Eph 4:1 I therefore...beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,