

Preach the Word . . . for the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine . . . but speak thou the things that become sound doctrine . . . And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

The Apostle Paul to Timothy and Titus

# STATEMENT OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

## We Believe . . .

<sup>1</sup> *The Bible is the verbally inspired, eternal, inerrant, infallible Word of God. As such it is the sole authority for all doctrine and truth, and is to be approached reverently with the highest respect. The inspiration and authority of the Word of God extends equally to all the books within the canon of scripture.*

<sup>2</sup> *In special creation and the historical accuracy of the first eleven chapters of Genesis as it pertains to the direct, creative acts of God and the universal, world-wide flood.*

<sup>3</sup> *The true nature of God is revealed in scripture. The God of scripture is God alone and exists in Trinity, that is, three distinct Persons all of the same substance, co-equal, co-existent and co-eternal. While there exists a plurality in the Godhead (that is, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) at the same time each retains oneness of nature and essence.*

<sup>4</sup> *In the Personality and Deity of the Father.*

<sup>5</sup> *In the Deity of Jesus Christ as the eternal Word, one in nature with the Father and the Spirit; <sup>6</sup> In His incarnation by the miracle of the virgin birth; <sup>7</sup> His sinless life and impeccability; <sup>8</sup> His substitutional, atoning death on the cross as an offering for sin, <sup>9</sup> His bodily resurrection from the grave; <sup>10</sup> His ascension to the right hand of the Father; <sup>11</sup> His second coming in power and glory.*

<sup>12</sup> *In the Personality and Deity of the Holy Spirit.*

<sup>13</sup> *In the necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for entrance into the Kingdom of God.*

<sup>14</sup> *In salvation from the penalty of sin by grace alone and by faith alone in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

<sup>15</sup> *In the everlasting home of the saved in heaven with Christ.*

<sup>16</sup> *In the everlasting, conscious destruction of the lost in the lake of fire which is the second death.*