



First Baptist

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as inspired of God and inerrant in the original writings, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life. 1 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21

We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary and is true God and true man. Isaiah 7:14, John 1:14, 8:53

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a divine person with God the Father and God the Son, and of the same nature, and indwells every born-again believer. John 14:16, 14:26

We accept the Biblical account of creation and believe that man came by instant and direct creation of God; and thereby all are sinners by nature and by choice. Genesis 1:27, 2:17, 3:6; Romans 5:12

We believe in the personality of Satan, that he is the unholy god of this age and the author of all the powers of darkness, and is destined to the judgment of an eternal justice in the lake of fire. Matthew 4:1-3, 2 Corinthians 4:4, Revelation 20:10

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins as a substitutionary sacrifice according to the Scriptures, and that all who believe in Him are justified on the ground of His shed blood and resurrection. Romans 4:25, 1 Corinthians 15:3, 2 Corinthians 5:21, 1 John 1:7, Acts 13:39, 1 Peter 2:24

We believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby forever become the children of God. John 1:12, Acts 20:21

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, in His ascension into Heaven, and His present ministry there for us, as High Priest and Advocate. 1 Corinthians 15:4, Hebrews 4:14, 1 John 2:1

We believe in "that blessed hope" the personal, premillennial and imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Titus 2:13, Philippians 3:20

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, in the everlasting felicity of the saved, and the everlasting conscious suffering of the lost. John 5:28-29

We believe in Biblical separation from all worldly practices, and in wholehearted devotion for the cause of Christ as the only scriptural basis for a happy and useful Christian life. 1 John 2:15-17, 2 Corinthians 6:14, 1 Corinthians 6:19

We believe that marriage is ordained of God as a covenant relationship between one man and one woman for life for the purpose of procreation and sexual pleasure. The marriage relationship is a beautiful picture of the relationship between our Savior and the collective body of believers in Christ known as the Church. Any other definition of or practice of marriage is unbiblical, ungodly, and a perversion of God's divine institution of marriage (Genesis 2: 18-24; Matthew 19:4-6; Romans 1:27, Hebrews 13:4)

In light of contemporary confusion over sexual orientation and gender identity, we reaffirm our belief that there are only two "sexes" or genders—male and female. The Bible tells us that "in the beginning, God created them male and female." The Holy Scriptures teach that God is the author of all life, that life begins at conception, and that our Creator biologically and anatomically fashions each human being as either male or female. Perversions of a biblical definition of gender such as, but not limited to, sexual orientation, transgender, multiple genders, and sex change operations, are violations of God's Word, and those that believe in and practice such behavior will personally and corporately face God's judgment. (Genesis 2: 18-24; Matthew 19:4-6; Psalm 139: 13-16; Romans 1:27, Hebrews 13:4)

We believe that a local church is a congregation of immersed believers associated by covenant of faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper; for the purpose of worship, evangelization and instruction; that is scriptural for such churches to cooperate with each other in contending for the faith, for the furthering of the Gospel and the training of our children. Acts 2:41-42, 15:13-18, 1 Corinthians 11:2, Ephesians 1:22-23, 4:11, 5:23-24, Acts 20:17-28, Colossians 1:18

We believe that civil government is of divine appointment for the interests and good order of human society; that those in authority are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 13:1-7, 2 Samuel 23:3, Exodus 18:21-22, Daniel 3:17-18, Matthew 22:21, Acts 4:19-20, 5:20, 23:5