

Pilgrim Tabernacle

STATEMENT OF FAITH

WE BELIEVE IN

- 1 The full and verbal inspiration of all the Old Testament and New Testament Scriptures as originally given, and of these alone¹: their being in themselves the Word of God, without error, and wholly reliable in both fact and doctrine²; their final authority and perpetual sufficiency in all matters of faith and practice³.**

¹Exod 24:4 2 Sam 23:1,2 Jer 1:9 30:1-4 36:1,2 Jn 8:26-28, 31,32,46,47
1 Cor 2:12,13 2 Cor 13:3 2 Tim 3:15-17 Heb 1:1,2 2 Pet 1:19-21

²Ps 19:7-11 119:140,160 Dan 10:21 Matt 5:17,18 Jn 10:35 17:17
Rom 3:1,2 1 Thess 2:13

³Isa 8:20 Lk 16:29-31 1 Cor 14:37 Rev 22:18,19

- 2 The unity of the Godhead and the divine co-equality of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit¹; the sovereignty of God in creation², providence³, and redemption⁴.**

¹Deut 6:4 Num 6:24-27 Matt 28:19 2 Cor 13:14 1 Jn 5:7 Rev 1:4,5

²Gen 1:1-31 Ps 33:9 Acts 17:24,25 Rom 1:20 Rev 4:11

³Ps 103:19 Prov 19:21 Is 49:9-10 Dan 4:35 Matt 10:29-31 Eph 1:11

⁴Lk 1:68-75 Eph 1:4-14 Titus 2:11-14 Heb 9:11,12 1 Pet 1:18-20 Rev 5:9

- 3 The total depravity of human nature in consequence of the fall¹, and the necessity of regeneration².**

¹Gen3:1-7 6:5 8:21 Ps 51:5 Jer 17:9 Mk 7:21-23 Rom 3:10-19 5:12-19
Rom 8:7 Eph 2:1-3

²Jn 1:12,13 3:3-7 2 Cor 5:17 Gal 6:15 Eph 2:1,5,10 Titus 3:5 James 1:18
1 Pet 1:23

- 4 **The true and proper deity of our Lord Jesus Christ¹, his virgin birth²; his real and perfect manhood³; the authority of his teaching, and the infallibility of all his utterances⁴; his work of atonement for sinners of mankind by his substitutionary sufferings and death⁵; his bodily resurrection⁶ and his ascension into Heaven⁷; and his present priestly intercession for his people at the right hand of the Father⁸.**

¹Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1, 5:18, 14:9-11, 16:15, 20:28; Romans 9:5; Philippians 2:6; Colossians 2:9; Hebrews 1:3, 8; 1 John 5:20

²Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-23; Luke 1:26-35

³John 1:14; Philippians 2:7; 1 Timothy 2:5; Heb 4:15, 7:26; 1 Peter 2:22

⁴Matthew 7:29; John 7:15-17, 46, 12:47-50

⁵Isaiah 53:4-6; Matthew 20:28; Romans 5:6-11; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Galatians 3:13; 1 Peter 3:18

⁶Matthew 28:1-6; Luke 24:36-43; John 20:24-29; 1 Corinthians 15:4

⁷Mark 16:19; Acts 1:9-11; Ephesians 1:20-23; 1 Peter 3:22; Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25; 1 John 2:1

- 5 **The justification of the sinner solely by faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ¹.**

¹Isaiah 45:25, 53:11; John 3:16-18, 36; Acts 13:38-39, 16:31; Romans 1:16-17, 3:24-28; Romans 4:1-5, 5:1, 8:33-34, 9:30-33, 10:1-4; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Galatians 2:16, 3:8, 11, 24; Ephesians 2:8-9; Philippians 3:8-9; 1 John 5:10

- 6 **The work of the Holy Spirit as essential for a true and spiritual understanding of the Scriptures¹; for regeneration², conversion³, and sanctification⁴, and for ministry⁵ and worship⁶.**

¹Proverbs 1:23; John 6:45, 14:26, 16:13-14; 1 Corinthians 2:9-12; Ephesians 1:17-18; 1 John 2:20, 27

²John 3:5-8; 6:63; Acts 11:15-18; Titus 3:5

³John 16:7-14; Acts 3:19; 1 Corinthians 12:3

⁴2 Corinthians 3:18; Galatians 5:16, 22-25; Ephesians 3:16

⁵Acts 4:31; 1 Corinthians 2:4-5; 2 Corinthians 3:6-8

⁶John 4:24; Romans 8:26; Ephesians 2:18, 5:18-20; Philippians 3:3

- 7 **The universal Church, the body of which Christ is the Head, embracing all the redeemed, called by God through the Gospel, born of the Spirit and justified by faith¹; the local church, comprising such believers as the expression of the universal Church², and fellowship between such churches, manifesting the unity of the body of Christ³.**

¹Matthew 16:18; Acts 20:28; Ephesians 1:22, 3:10, 21, 5:23-32; Colossians 1:18-24; Hebrews 12:23

²Matthew 18:17; Acts 11:22, 13:1, 15:41, 16:5; Romans 16:1, 5, 16; 1 Corinthians 1:2; Galatians 1:2

³Acts 15:1-4, 22-31; 1 Corinthians 16:1-3; 2 Corinthians 8:19, 23; Colossians 4:15-16

- 8 **The ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper as being instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ¹, but not in Baptism as conveying regenerating grace², nor in the Lord's Supper as being a sacrifice for sin or involving any change in the substance of the bread and wine³.**

¹Matthew 28:19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

²Acts 8:13, 20-23, 36-37, 10:44, 47, 16:14-15, 18:8; 1 Corinthians 1:17, 21

³Matthew 26:29; 1 Corinthians 11:26-28; Hebrews 7:23, 27-28, 9:25-28, 10:11-13

- 9 **The personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ in glory¹.**

¹Matthew 16:27, 25:31; John 14:3; Acts 1:11, 3:20-21; 1 Corinthians 1:7; Philippians 3:20; Colossians 3:4; 1 Thessalonians 1:10, 2:19, 3:13, 4:16-17, 5:23; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10; 1 Timothy 6:14; Titus 2:13; Hebrews 9:28; Jude 14; Revelation 22:7, 12, 20

- 10 **The resurrection of the body¹; the judgment of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ², with the eternal blessedness of the righteous³ and the eternal punishment of the wicked⁴.**

¹Job 19:26; Isaiah 26:19; John 5:28-29, 6:39-40; Acts 4:2, 24:15; Romans 8:11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-23, 42-45, 48-54; Philippians 3:21

²Matthew 25:31-34; John 5:22; Acts 10:42, 17:31; Romans 2:16, 14:10-12; 2 Corinthians 5:10; 2 Timothy 4:1; Revelation 20:11,12

³Matthew 25:46; John 10:28; 1 Corinthians 15:53; 1 Thessalonians 4:17; 2 Timothy 2:10; 1 Peter 1:4; 2 Peter 1:11; Revelation 22:3-5

⁴Matthew 25:41, 46; Mark 9:44; 2 Thessalonians 1:9; Jude 13; Revelation 14:9-11