

THE COMMONS CONFESSION OF FAITH

1. We are compelled by a triune God who exists as the perfect love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 3:16-17; Matthew 28:19; Mark 1:3; John 14:26; John 17:24; 2 Corinthians 13:13-14

2. We are compelled by the God who has revealed himself through the Bible and preeminently through His Son, Jesus Christ—the "Word made flesh."

John 1:18; John 14:8-11; Colossians 1:15-20; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 1:1-3; 2 Peter 1:16-21

3. We are compelled by a God who became fully human without ceasing to be fully God in order to inaugurate the kingdom of God and demonstrated its presence.

Matthew 1:18-25; Matthew 4:23-24; John 1:1-14; Philippians 2:5-11; Hebrews 2:14-18; Hebrews 4:14-15

4. We are compelled by a God who loves us all though we are sinners and whose love looks like suffering on a cross.

John 3:16-18; John 15:13; Romans 5:7-8; Romans 8:31-39; Ephesians 2:4-5; Ephesians 5:2; 1 John 3:16; 1 John 4:8-10

5. We are compelled by a God who came, died, and rose again to destroy the works of the devil and liberate us from sin and death.

Isaiah 53:1-12; Matthew 27:27-28:20; Mark 10:45; Romans 3:21-26; Romans 5:1-11; Romans 6:3-23; Romans 8:18-25; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28; 2 Corinthians 5:18-21; Ephesians 1:3-12; Colossians 1:13-22; Colossians 2:14-15; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 2:15; 1 Peter 2:21-25; 1 John 3:8

6. We are compelled by a God who calls to himself a people saved by his grace and mercy to reign with him forever.

John 1:12-13; Romans 3:22; Romans 8:14-17; Galatians 3:22-29; Ephesians 2:4-10; Titus 3:4-7; Revelation 1:5-6; Revelation 3:26-28

7. We are compelled by a God who empowers and equips his people to serve by filling them with his Spirit.

John 14:16-17,26; John 16:5-15; Acts 1:8; Romans 8:26; Romans 12:3-8; 1 Corinthians 3:16; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31; Ephesians 1:13-14; Ephesians 5:18; 1 Peter 4:10-11; 1 John 3:24

8. We are compelled by a God who invites humanity into his covenant community to participate with him and his work.

Genesis 1:26-28; Genesis 12,15,17; Exodus 19:4-6; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Ephesians 3:10-11; Ephesians 6:12; 1 Peter 2:9-10