TACTICA Statement of Beliefs

GOD

There is one God who eternally exists in three equally divine persons - the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is the beginning and end of all things. He is the Creator of the universe and Author of all life. All history moves toward Him and finds its culmination in His sovereign plan.

(Genesis 1; John 1:1; Ephesians 4:6; Colossians 1:15-23; Revelation 19:6)

JESUS

Jesus, the Son, was born of a virgin and came to earth because of God's love for humanity. In living a fully human/fully divine life He is both our example and victorious King. He inaugurated God's kingdom on earth and died for the sins of His people. He conquered death and rose from the grave before ascending to the Father where He reigns with Him. He will return one day in power and glory. He is our Savior and Lord. He is the only Way, the only Truth, and the only Life. (Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1-18; Matthew 27:54; John 14:6-7; Colossians 1:15-23; 1 Timothy 1:15)

HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the third person within the triune Godhead, active and at work in the world today. He was sent to comfort and to reveal Truth. He equips, enables, and empowers believers to live out the ordained purposes for their lives.

(John 14:15-27; 1 Corinthians 2:10-16)

SALVATION

Salvation is God's gift of redemption for His Church. It is the free gift of grace received by faith alone in Jesus Christ to all who would repent of their sins and believe in his finished work on the cross. Salvation cannot be found outside of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

(John 1:12; John 14:6; Acts 4:12; Ephesians 2:8-9)

HUMANITY

Created in God's own image, humanity is God's crowning work in creation. Our primary purpose is to glorify God along with all of creation. Human beings are sinful at birth, and the only hope for humanity is found in the finished work of Jesus.

(Genesis 1:27; Psalm 8:3-6; Psalm 51:5; Romans 3:23; Romans 5:12; Ephesians 2:3)

THE GOSPEL

The Gospel is the good news that God, our righteous King, because of his great love for us, sent Jesus, the Son, to live, die, and be raised in our place for the punishment of our sins, so that, through faith, we are reconciled to God in order that, by the Spirit, we might live as kingdom citizens in relationship with and in representation of Him.

(Luke 2:10-11; Luke 4:14-21; John 3:16-17; Romans 1:16-17)

THE BIBLE

The Bible is wholly authentic, inspired, fully trustworthy, and without error in the original writings. There is nothing that can be added to it or taken from it. The Bible is the revealed word of God and is useful for teaching, encouraging, and correcting.

(Psalm 19:7-14; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)

THE CHURCH

The Church is God's chosen instrument to bring His Gospel to every man, woman and child. There is one Church of which Jesus Christ is the head. The Church is made up of every person who places their trust in the finished work of Jesus.

(Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:41-47; Ephesians 3; Ephesians 4:1-13)

