

Living Faith Christian Center
Faith Foundations School

ARTICLES OF FAITH

I. THE SCRIPTURES.

We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has _____ for its author, _____ for its end, and _____ without any mixture of error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us, and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the _____ standard by which all human _____, _____, and _____ shall be tried. **References:** 2 Timothy 3:15-17, 2 Tim. 3:16-17, Prov. 30:5-6, Phil. 3:16; Romans 2:12, John 4:1

II. THE TRUE GOD.

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is _____, and only _____, living and true God, an _____, _____, whose name is Jehovah, the _____ and _____ of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness, and worthy of all possible honor confidence and love; that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, the _____, the _____, and the _____; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. **References:** John 4:24; Psalms 147:5; Exodus 15:11, Ps. 83:18, Heb. 3:4, Rom. 1:20, Jer. 10:10

III. THE FALL OF MAN.

We believe the Scriptures teach that Man was created in _____, under the law of his _____; but by voluntary transgressions fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are _____, not by _____ but _____; being by _____ utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, positively inclined to evil; and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defense or excuse. **References:** Genesis 1:27, 1:31; Genesis 3:6, 24; Romans 5:19, Ecc. 7:29, Acts 15:26

IV. THE WAY OF SALVATION.

We believe that the Scriptures teach that the _____ of _____ is wholly of _____; through the mediatorial offices of the _____ of _____; who by the appointment of the Father, freely took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by his _____, and by his _____ made a full _____ for our sins; that having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, he is in every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an _____ Saviour. **References:** Ephesians 2:8, 5, John 3:16; Philippians 2:6-7; Isaiah 42:2, Matthew 18:11, 1 John 4:10, 1 Cor. 3:5-7, Acts 15:11, John 1: 1-14

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V. JUSTIFICATION.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the great _____ blessing which _____ secures to such as believe in him is _____; that _____ includes the _____ of sin, and the promise of _____ on principles of _____; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the _____ blood; by virtue of which _____ his perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity. **References:** John 1:16; Acts 13:39; Rom, 5:1-2, Rom. 8:1, Eph. 3-8, Isa. 3:11-12

VI. THE FREENESS OF SALVATION.

We believe that the Scriptures teach that the blessings of salvation are made _____ to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to _____ them by cordial, penitent and obedient faith; and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, but his own determined depravity and voluntary _____ of the _____; which rejection involves him in an aggravated condemnation. **References:** Isaiah 55:1; Romans 16:25-26; John 5:40, John 3:3, 3:-6-7, 1Cor. 1:14, Rev. 8:7-9, 21:27, 2 Cor. 5:17, Ezek. 36:26

VII. REGENERATION

We believe that the Scriptures teach that in order to be saved, _____ must be _____, or born again; that regeneration consists in _____ a holy disposition to the mind that it is effected in a manner above our comprehension by the power of the _____ in connection with divine truth, so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel; and that its proper evidence appears in the holy fruits of _____ and _____, and _____ of life. **References:** John 3:3; 2 Corinthians 5:17; John 3:8

VIII. REPENTANCE AND FAITH

We believe the Scriptures teach that _____ and _____ are sacred duties, and also _____ graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating _____ of _____; whereby being deeply convinced of our guilt, danger and helplessness and of the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession, and supplication for mercy; at the same time heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as our prophet, priest and king, and relying on him _____ as the _____ and _____ Savior. **References:** Mark 1:15; John 16:8; Luke 18:13, Acts 11:18, Eph. 2:8; I John 5:1

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IX. GOD'S PURPOSE OF GRACE.

We believe the Scriptures teach that election is the _____ of God, according to which he graciously _____, _____ and _____ sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being _____, _____, _____ and _____; that it utterly excludes _____ and promotes _____, _____, _____, _____ in God, and _____ imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects in all who truly believe the Gospel; that it is the foundation of _____; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence. **References:** 2 Timothy 1:8-9; 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14; Exodus 33:18-19, John 3:3; John 3:6-7; I Cor. 1:14; Rev. 8:7-9; Rev. 21:27; II Cor. 5:17; Ezek. 36:26

X. SANCTIFICATION.

We believe the Scriptures teach that _____ is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of his holiness; that it is a progressive work; that it is begun in regeneration; and that it is carried on in the _____ of _____ by the presence and power of the _____, the _____ and _____, in the continual use of the appointed means especially the _____ of _____, _____, _____, _____ and _____. **References:** 1 Thess. 4:3, I Thess. 5:23; Proverbs 4:18; 1 John 2:29, II Cor. 7:1; II Cor. 13:9; Phil. 3:12; Rom 8:5, 8: 8 – 29.

XI. PERSEVERANCE OF SAINTS.

We believe the Scriptures teach that such only are real believers as _____ to the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special _____ watches over their welfare; and they are kept by the power of _____ through _____ unto _____. **References:** John 8:17, John 8:31; Romans 8:28, 1 John 2:19; I John 2:27-28; I John 3:9; I John 5:18, 1 Cor. 11:32

XII. THE LAW AND GOSPEL.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the _____ of God is the _____ and _____ rule of his moral government; that it is holy, just and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen men to fulfill its precepts, arise entirely from their _____ of _____; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a _____ to unfeigned obedience to the Holy Law, is one great end of the _____, and of the _____ of _____ connected with the establishment of the visible church. **References:** Romans 3:31; Romans 7:12; Romans 8:2-4, Rom. 3:20; Rom. 7:7, Matthew 5:17; Luke 16:17

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XIII. A GOSPEL CHURCH.

We believe the Scriptures teach that a visible church of Christ is a _____ of _____, associated by covenant in the _____ and _____ of the Gospel; observing the _____ of Christ; governed by his laws; and exercising the _____, and _____ invested in them by His _____; that its only scriptural officers are _____ or _____, and _____ whose Qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the _____ to Timothy and Titus. **References:** I Corinthians 1:1-13; Acts 2:41-42; Matthew 28:20, [Matthew 18:17](#); [Acts 5:11](#); [Acts 8:1](#); [Acts 11:31](#); I Cor. 4:17; I Cor. 14:23; [III John 9](#); I Tim. 3:5

XIV. BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER.

We believe the Scriptures teach that Christian baptism is the _____ in water of a believer, into the name of the _____, and _____, and _____; to show forth in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in the _____, _____, and _____ Savior, with its effect, in our _____ to _____ and _____ to a new life; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation; and to the Lord's Supper, in which the members of the church, by the sacred use of bread and wine, are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ; preceded always by solemn _____. **References:** Acts 8:36-39; Romans 6:4; Matthew 28:19, [Matthew. 3:5-6](#); [John 3:22-23](#); [John 4:12](#); [Matthew. 28:19-20](#); [Mark 16:16](#); [Acts 2:38](#)

XV. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the _____ of the week is the _____, or _____, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by _____ from all secular labor and sinful recreations, by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public, and by preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God. **References:** Acts 20:7; Exodus 20:8; Revelation 1:10, [Gen 2:3](#); [Co. 2:16-17](#)

XVI. CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

We believe the Scriptures teach that civil government is of _____, for the _____ and _____ of human society; and that _____ are to be prayed for, conscientiously _____ and _____; except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the _____, and the _____ of the Kings of the earth. **References:** Romans 13:1-7; Matthew 22:21; Acts 5:29, [Deu. 16:18](#); [II Sam. 23:3](#); [Ex. 18:23](#); [Jer. 30:21](#)

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XVII. RIGHTEOUS AND WICKED.

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is a radical and essential difference between the _____ and the _____; that such only as through _____ are _____ in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the _____ of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in _____ and _____ are in his sight _____, and under the _____; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death.

References: Romans 1:17; Malachi 3:18; 1 John 2:29, [Pro. 12:26](#); [Isa. 5:20](#); [Gen. 18:23](#); [Jer. 15:19](#)

XVIII. THE WORLD TO COME.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the _____ of the world is _____; that at the last day, Christ will _____ from _____, and _____ the dead from the grave for final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the _____ will be adjudged to _____ punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgment will fix forever the _____ state of men in _____ or _____, on principles of righteousness.

References: 1 Peter 4:7; Acts 24:15; Matthew 25:31-46, [Matthew. 24:35](#), [I Cor. 7:29-31](#); [Heb. 1:10-12](#);