



DOCTRINAL POSITION

(Articles of Incorporation & By-Laws [Article III] March 25, 2017)

All who participate in the work of this Seminary must adhere to the following articles of faith:

1. THE BIBLE

All sixty-six Books of the Old and New Testaments are inspired of God, and in all matters spiritual and moral are the believer's sole rule of faith and conduct (2 Tim. 3:15-17; Isa. 8:20).

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2. GOD

God is a Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14)

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• GOD THE FATHER

God the Father is one Lord (Deut. 6:4), self-existent (Exod. 3:14), eternal (Deut. 33:27), omnipresent (Jer. 23:24), omniscient (Ps. 139:2-6) and omnipotent (Rev. 15:3); Creator of Heaven and earth and man (Gen. 1), Preserver of all things (Ps. 145:9, 16), the Lord God, most holy (Rev. 15:4), most just (Isa. 45:21) and most merciful (Lam. 3:22).

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• GOD THE SON

God the Son is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is one with the Father (John 10:30), alike self-existent and eternal (John 1:1), alike to be worshipped and adored (Heb. 1:6; John 5:23), and alike of glory (John 17:5). He is the Word become flesh (John 1:14), conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary (Matt. 1:18), and, dwelling on earth for more than thirty years (Luke 3:23) without sin (Heb. 4:15), He performed many miracles (John 11:47), was crucified as a ransom for all (Matt. 20:19, 28; 1 Tim. 2:6), rose again from the dead on the third day (1 Cor. 15:4), ascended into heaven and sat on the right hand of God (Mark 16:19), from whence He shall come again at the time appointed (Acts 1:11; Mark 13:26) to judge His Church (1 Peter 4:17; 2 Cor. 5:10) and the World (Matt. 25:31-46), establish His kingdom upon the earth for one thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6), and then after bringing to judgment all the wicked, dead (Rev. 20:11-15) He shall reign for ever and ever (Rev. 11:15) and of His kingdom there shall be no end (Luke 11:33).

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• GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the third Person to the Divine Trinity (Matt. 28:19). He is one with the Father (Acts 5:3, 4) and with the Son (Rom. 8:9, 10). He with the Father and with the Son, is the Creator of man and of all things (Gen. 1:2, 26; Ps. 104:30). He was sent by the Son from the Father (John 15:26) to reprove the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment (John 16:8) and to give new birth to them who believe in Christ (John 3:5), to guide them into all truth (John 16:13), to give them victory over sin (Rom. 8:2), to sanctify them (1 Peter 1:2), to empower them to bear witness (Acts 1:8), and to be their Comforter, who will abide with them forever (John 14:16).

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3. MAN

- **HIS FALL AND CONSEQUENT DEPRAVITY**

When Adam sinned through the temptation of Satan, man became a fallen creature (Rom. 5:12), and, because of this, the human race is totally depraved (Jer. 17:9; Rom. 7:18) and guilty of all ungodliness and unrighteousness (Rom. 1:18, 3:9-20).

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- **HIS REDEMPTION**

Since all men have fallen into a sinful state and since all have come short of the glory of God, therefore they all need the redemption that is in Christ Jesus (Rom. 3:23, 24). Christ's death on the cross, where He shed His precious blood for man's sin, is the one and only way of redemption and forgiveness (1 Peter 1:18, 19; Acts 4:12).

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- **HIS REGENERATION**

Since man is completely depraved, therefore he needs regeneration (John 3:3, 7).

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- **HIS JUSTIFICATION**

Justification is by faith in Christ, and is not by works of righteousness which we have done. (Rom. 3:24-28; Titus 3:5).

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- **HIS SANCTIFICATION**

Christ died for us that we might live unto righteousness (1 Peter 2:24); therefore each believer should be careful to maintain good works (Matt. 5:16). If the believer accepts the truth of the cross (Rom. 6:1-14) and relies upon the help of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:13), he can live a holy life (Rom. 8:2-4).

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- **HIS RESURRECTION**

All the dead shall be raised. (1 Cor. 15:12-19). First, the dead in Christ shall be raised with glorified bodies to enjoy eternal life (Matt. 25:46, Jude 21) when the Lord descends from heaven (1 Thess. 4:16; 1 Cor. 15:35-49). The unbelieving dead shall be raised after the millennium (Rev. 20:5, 13) to be judged and to go away into everlasting and conscious punishment (Matt. 25:46; Rev. 14:10, 11).

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4. THE CHURCH

The church is the Body of Jesus Christ (Eph. 1:23), made up of all who have been born again through faith in the redemption that is in Christ Jesus (Acts 20:28, John 10:16). All believers are one in Christ (Gal. 3:27-28), and in Him they have their Head (Col. 1:18). When He returns, all the members of His Body, both living and dead, shall be caught up to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall they ever be with the Lord (1 Thess. 4:16-17).

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5. THE GREAT COMMISSION

The Lord Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). To obey this last command of our Lord is the responsibility of His Church. In the faithful discharge of this responsibility each believer has a share. (2 Cor. 5:18-20).

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