

Florida Bible College

Statement of Faith

1. The Bible in its original documents¹ is the inspired Word of God², the written record of His supernatural revelation³ of Himself to man, absolute in its authority,⁴ complete in its revelation,⁵ final in its content,⁶ and without error⁷ in its statements⁸ and is sufficient for life and godliness.⁹
2. There is one God¹⁰ who eternally exists in three persons¹¹ – Father,¹² Son,¹³ and Holy Spirit,¹⁴ coequal in power and glory¹⁵ having precisely the same nature¹⁶ and attributes.¹⁷
3. The Lord Jesus Christ¹⁸ is fully God¹⁹ who took on flesh²⁰ and dwelt on earth.²¹ He was sinlessly²² perfect and gave Himself²³ as a substitutionary sacrifice²⁴ by shedding His blood²⁵ and dying²⁶ on the cross²⁷; He then rose from the dead.²⁸ This was to pay for all sins (past, present, and future)²⁹ and everlasting life³⁰ is given to all who believe³¹ in Him³².
4. God is absolutely sovereign and in His sovereignty gave man the ability to accept or reject the salvation that He has provided. It is God's desire that all would be saved³³ and that none should perish. God foreknows,³⁴ but does not predetermine any man to be condemned. God permits man's destiny to depend upon man's choice
5. Each member of the human race is born fallen,³⁵ sinful,³⁶ and lost.³⁷ The moment a person believes in Jesus Christ³⁸ as his personal Savior immediately the Holy Spirit regenerates,³⁹ indwells,⁴⁰ baptizes into the Body of Christ,⁴¹ and seal⁴² him until the day of redemption.⁴³
6. Man is saved by undeserved mercy⁴⁴ through faith⁴⁵ and nothing of man enters into his salvation;⁴⁶ it is a free gift⁴⁷. Man's efforts,⁴⁸ regardless of how good or well intended, before or after salvation, have no meritorious value.⁴⁹ Salvation is based on the death and resurrection of Christ⁵⁰ and nothing can be added to it.⁵¹

¹ John 10:33-36

² 2 Timothy 3:16, 17

³ John 17:17; 2 Timothy 3:16, 17

⁴ Psalm 89:34

⁵ John 17:17; 2 Timothy 3:16, 17

⁶ Matthew 24:35

⁷ Psalm 12:6; John 10:33-36; Hebrews 6:18

⁸ Proverbs 30:5; John 17:17

⁹ 2 Timothy 3:16, 17; 2 Peter 1:3,4

¹⁰ Deuteronomy 6:4

¹¹ Matthew 28:19, 20; 2 Corinthians 13:14

¹² John 1:18; 6:46; 20:17

¹³ Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 1:23; John 1:1-3; 14:9; 20:30,31

¹⁴ Acts 5:3,4; 20:28; 1 Corinthians 2:10,11; 3:16; 12:11

¹⁵ Psalm 138:5

¹⁶ Colossians 2:9; 1 John 5:7

¹⁷ Matthew 28:19,20; 1 John 5:7

¹⁸ Matthew 16:16

¹⁹ John 1:1-3; 5:18; 10:30; Colossians 1:15,16; 2:9; Titus 2:13

Hebrews 1:3,8

²⁰ Matthew 1:23; John 1:14

²¹ John 1:14

²² 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 John 3:5

²³ John 3:16; Titus 2:14

²⁴ Hebrews 2:9; 10:10-14

²⁵ Hebrews 9:12-28

²⁶ 1 Corinthians 15:3

²⁷ Philippians 2:8

²⁸ 1 Corinthians 15:4

²⁹ John 1:29; 1 Timothy 2:6; 1 John 2:2

³⁰ John 3:16; 6:47;

³¹ John 3:16; Romans 3:21,22,26; Galatians 3:13,14

³² John 3:16; 5:24; 20:31; Acts 16:31

³³ 1 Timothy 2:4

³⁴ Romans 8:29

³⁵ 1 John 1:8

³⁶ Romans 3:23

³⁷ 1 Corinthians 15:22

³⁸ John 3:16; 5:24; 6:47

³⁹ Titus 3:5

⁴⁰ John 14:17

⁴¹ 1 Corinthians 12:13

⁴² Ephesians 1:13,14; 4:30

⁴³ Ephesians 4:30

⁴⁴ Titus 3:5

⁴⁵ Ephesians 2:8,9

⁴⁶ Galatians 2:16

⁴⁷ Ephesians 2:8,9

⁴⁸ Galatians 2:16

⁴⁹ Romans 4:4

⁵⁰ Acts 2:29-36

⁵¹ 1 Corinthians 15:1-3

[The Greek word for “repent” is metaneo, which, translated into English is: “to change one’s mind.”

Many teach repentance for salvation incorrectly, by including some form or human effort or righteousness, such as willingness to turn from sin, or turning from sin. It adds works to salvation and causes many to not understand God’s great gift.]

7. The Church⁵² began with the descent of the Holy Spirit⁵³ at Pentecost⁵⁴ and is composed of all believers. By the Holy Spirit we are all baptized⁵⁵ into the one body of Christ.⁵⁶ Water baptism is not essential for salvation but is a testimony to the world.⁵⁷
8. Every child of God possesses everlasting life⁵⁸ and is, therefore, safe and secure for all eternity, being justified by faith,⁵⁹ sanctified by God, and sealed by the Holy Spirit⁶⁰; he cannot lose his salvation.⁶¹ However, a Christian can through sin, lose his fellowship, joy, power, testimony, and reward,⁶² and incur the Father’s chastisement.⁶³ Relationship is forever, being established by the new birth; fellowship,⁶⁴ however, is dependent upon obedience.⁶⁵
9. A child of God has two births; one of the flesh, the other of the Spirit,⁶⁶ giving man a flesh nature and a Spirit nature. The flesh is neither good nor righteous.⁶⁷ The Spiritual man does not commit any sin.⁶⁸ This results in warfare between the Spirit and the flesh,⁶⁹ which continues until physical death, or the return of the Lord.⁷⁰ The flesh of man does not change in any way with the new birth, but can be controlled and kept subdued by the new man.
10. There will be a resurrection⁷¹ of the saved⁷² and of the lost;⁷³ of the saved unto everlasting life,⁷⁴ and of the

lost unto eternal conscious punishment.⁷⁵ These two resurrections are separated by at least 1,000 years.⁷⁶

11. We believe in the personal,⁷⁷ pre-tribulational,⁷⁸ and pre-millennial return⁷⁹ of our Lord⁸⁰ and Savior, Jesus Christ.
12. Satan is an actual being⁸¹, the author of sin, and he and his angels shall be eternally punished.⁸²
13. God can heal but physical healing is not in the atonement. God heals miraculously today when it is His perfect will to do so.⁸³ Healing cannot be claimed through the guarantee of the atonement. At times it is God’s will for sickness not to be removed.⁸⁴
14. The sign gifts⁸⁵ were a manifestation of the Holy Spirit’s power solely for the demonstration of God’s wisdom, purpose and power in the establishment of the early church.
15. The child of God is not under the Law⁸⁶ but under grace; he is saved by grace⁸⁷ and disciplined by grace.⁸⁸
16. It is every Christian’s⁸⁹ privilege and duty to make clear God’s plan of salvation⁹⁰ wherever and in whatever vocation he or she may be.⁹¹

⁵² 1 Corinthians 6:19,20

⁵³ Acts 2:1-4

⁵⁴ Matthew 16:18; Acts 2:1-4; 11:15-17

⁵⁵ Ephesians 4:4-6

⁵⁶ 1 Corinthians 12:13

⁵⁷ Acts 10:47

⁵⁸ 1 John 5:11,12

⁵⁹ Titus 3:7

⁶⁰ Ephesians 4:30

⁶¹ Romans 8:35-39

⁶² 1 Corinthians 3:11-15; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Revelation 3:21

⁶³ 1 Corinthians 11:30-32; Hebrews 12:5-11

⁶⁴ John 15:1-17; 1 John 2:28

⁶⁵ Ephesians 2:10

⁶⁶ John 3:3-7; 1 Peter 1:23

⁶⁷ Romans 7:15-25; 8:8

⁶⁸ 1 John 3:9; 5:18

⁶⁹ Galatians 5:17

⁷⁰ 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Philippians 3:20-21

⁷¹ John 11:25

⁷² 1 Corinthians 15:58; 1 Thessalonians 4:13; Revelation 20:5,6

⁷³ Revelation 20:11-15

⁷⁴ Revelation 20:5,6

⁷⁵ Revelation 20:11-15

⁷⁶ Luke 14:14; Daniel 12:2; John 5:29; Revelation 20:5-15

⁷⁷ Acts 1:9-11

⁷⁸ 1 Corinthians 15:51-54; 1 Thessalonians 1:10; 4:13-18; 5:9-11; 2

Thessalonians 2:1-8; Revelation 3:10

⁷⁹ Daniel 2:44,45; Revelation 19:11-16

⁸⁰ Romans 14:11; Philippians 2:9-11; 3:20-21

⁸¹ Luke 10:18; Ephesians 2:2; Isaiah 26:17-21; Ezekiel 28:15; Revelation 12:10

⁸² Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10

⁸³ James 5:14-16

⁸⁴ 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

⁸⁵ Isaiah 28:11,12; 1 Corinthians 14:21,22; Ephesians 2:18-22; Hebrews 2:3-5

⁸⁶ Romans 3:28; 6:14-15

⁸⁷ Ephesians 2:8,9

⁸⁸ Titus 2:11-13; Hebrews 12:5-11

⁸⁹ Acts 11:26

⁹⁰ John 20:30,31; 3:15-17; 5:24; 6:47; Acts 16:30-32; Romans 4:3,9; Ephesians 2:8,9

⁹¹ Matthew 28:19,20; Mark 16:15,16; 1 Thessalonians 2:4