

What We Believe and Why We Believe It By Christian Equippers International

It is not only important for us as Christians to know what we believe, but also why we believe it.

In establishing these beliefs, unless the doctrinal teachings of a Church are based 100% upon the Holy Bible they are of no value.

On the following pages we have listed the essential doctrines found in the 1st Century Church, and where they are taught in the Word of God.

HOLY BIBLE

We believe that the Holy Bible, and only the Bible, is 100% the Word of God. It, alone, is the final authority in determining all Doctrinal Truths.

THE HOLY BIBLE SAYS THAT:

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" II Tim. 3:16

"Knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." II Peter 1:20-21

"Every word of God is pure." Prov. 30:5

Additional Scriptures: Rom. 16:25-26

TRINITY

The Doctrine of the Trinity or Tri-unity is that in one God there are three distinct persons, The Father. The Son (Jesus), and The Holy Spirit.

They are all of the same substance, and are co-equal, and co-eternal.

THE WORD OF GOD SAYS THAT:

Then God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness.. "Gen. 1:26

"Go, therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" Matt 28:19

"Then Jesus, when He had been baptized, came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God

descending like a dove, and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.'
Additional Scriptures: Luke 1:35, Isa. 9:6, Heb. 3:7-11

JESUS CHRIST

We believe that Jesus Christ is God the Son, the 2nd person of the Trinity. On earth he was 100% God and 100% man. He was the only man ever to live a sinless life.

THE BIBLE SAYS THAT:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word became flesh..." John 1:1,14

"And Thomas answered and said to Him, 'My Lord and My God!' "John 20:28
"... God was manifested in the flesh..." I Tim. 3:16

"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isa. 9:6
"... Christ Jesus..."

who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God" Phil. 2:5-6
Additional Scripture: I Tim. 2:5

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