



STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH PITTSBURG, KANSAS

Liberty Baptist Church is located at: 1714 W 20th Street, Pittsburg, KS 66762

This Statement of Faith expresses the foundational doctrines of Liberty Baptist Church. While God's Word is our final authority, this statement of faith serves as the authority concerning the church's beliefs, teaching, and conduct. The pastoral staff and deacons shall be responsible for interpreting this Statement of Faith on behalf of the church in matters of doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline.

All persons who unite to this church in membership must affirm the following core beliefs:

1. We believe that the whole Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, is without error and is the verbally inspired Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17).
2. We believe in one Triune God, the uncreated Maker of the universe and all it contains. God eternally exists in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Who are equal in authority and divine nature (Genesis 1:1-2; Matthew 28:19).
3. We believe that Jesus Christ, God's sinless Son, is truly God and truly man; that He took on human nature and flesh, was born of the virgin Mary, died as a substitute for sinners, rose from the grave on the third day, and is the only mediator between God and man (Matthew 1:23; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; 1 Timothy 2:5; Hebrews 7:25).
4. We believe that the Holy Spirit is equal with the Father and the Son, that He regenerates and indwells believers, sealing them unto the day of redemption, and that He guides, sanctifies, and gifts believers for God's service (John 14:16-17, 26; Ephesians 1:13-14).
5. We believe that God created people to know Him. Humanity fell from that relationship with God by sin, which is rebellion against God. Now, all people possess original sin and live under God's righteous judgment (Romans 3:10; 6:23).
6. We believe that all people are created in the image of God. All human life is to be valued from conception to natural death. Abortion, suicide, murder, and euthanasia are all sinful, unjust endings of lives made in the image of God. Racism is a sinful discrimination against those made in God's image (Genesis 1:26).
7. We believe that God created people male and female. Gender is not a social construct, but a fixed biological reality. Marriage is a lifetime commitment between one man and one woman, and all sexual acts are to be limited to the bounds of marriage. This design is rooted in the creation order and is a good gift of God (Genesis 1:27; 2:18-25).
8. We believe that in order to be saved, a person must be born again, that this involves repentance from sin and faith in Jesus Christ, and that the mark of those who truly are regenerate is an ongoing faith in Christ and a growing holiness (Mark 1:15; John 3:3; 10:28; 1 Peter 1:3-5).
9. We believe that every born again person should profess his or her faith through baptism by immersion in water in connection with a gospel preaching church (Matthew 28:19-20; Romans 6:4-5).
10. We believe that a local church is an organized, autonomous assembly of baptized believers who regularly meet to worship God, observe the ordinances of baptism and communion, disciple the saved, and evangelize the lost. The universal church is composed of all the redeemed of all the ages. The local church lovingly disciplines members who persist in known, unrepentant sin (Matthew 18:15-20; 28:18-20; Ephesians 1:22-23).
11. We believe in the certain, physical return of the Lord Jesus, which could take place at any moment. He will judge the wicked, renew the heavens and earth, and eternally dwell with his people (1 Corinthians 15:51-54; Revelation 20:12; Philippians 2:9-11; Titus 2:13, Revelation 21:1-5).

For the purpose of more detailed clarity in teaching and leadership, this church also affirms The Baptist Faith and Message (2000), The Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy (1978), and The Nashville Statement on Gender and Sexuality (2017). The teaching of this church shall reflect these biblical principles, which shall be affirmed by all who hold office within this church.