

# Beliefs of Victoria Baptist Church.

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We accept the revelation of the Triune God, given in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, and confess the historic faith of the Gospel, as set out in them.

We here assert the doctrines which we regard as crucial to the understanding of the Faith and which should issue in mutual love, practical Christian service and evangelical concern:

The sovereignty and grace of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit in creation, providence, revelation, redemption and final judgement.

The Lord Jesus Christ as true God and true man; his deity, incarnation, virgin birth, sinless life, atoning death, bodily resurrection and ascension.

The divine inspiration of Holy Scripture and its consequent entire trustworthiness and supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.

The universal sinfulness and guilt of fallen mankind, being subject to God's wrath and condemnation.

The personality of Satan and his opposition to God.

The substitutionary sacrifice of the incarnate Son of God as the sole and all-sufficient ground of redemption from the guilt and power of sin, and from its eternal consequences.

The justification of the sinner, solely by the grace of God, through faith in Christ crucified and risen from the dead.

The illuminating, regenerating, indwelling and sanctifying work of God the Holy Spirit.

The priesthood of all believers, who form the universal Church, the body of which Christ is the head, and which is committed by his command to the proclamation of the Gospel throughout the world.

The resurrection of believers and unbelievers.

The future personal return in triumph of the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge all people, executing God's just condemnation on the impenitent and receiving the redeemed into eternal glory.