

## ***“What we Believe”***

The Foursquare Statement of Faith

### **The Bible**

We believe that the Bible is God’s Word, and not only contains truth but is truth. (II Timothy 3:16, 17)

### **The Eternal God**

We believe that God is a three-person being: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (II Corinthians 13:14)

### **The Fall of Man**

We believe that humans were created in the image of God, but fell from perfection and relationship with God by voluntary disobedience. (Romans 5:12)

### **The Plan of Salvation**

We believe that while we were still sinners Christ died in our place; paying for all of our sins – past, present and future. (John 3:16; Romans 5:8)

### **Salvation through Grace**

We believe that salvation comes only through Jesus by God’s grace and our faith – not by our good works. (Ephesians 2:8)

### **Repentance and Acceptance**

We believe that by sincerely turning away from sin and whole-heartily accepting Jesus as Lord, one is made right before God. (II Peter 3:9; Romans 10:9, 10)

### **The New Birth**

We believe that each one who receives Jesus becomes a new person inside. (II Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 2:20)

### **Water Baptism**

We believe that all new believers should be baptized in water to publicly announce their new faith in Jesus Christ. (Matthew 28:19)

### **Daily Christian Life**

We believe that God expects and Christians should desire to live in obedience to God’s Word. (James 1:22)

### **The Lord’s Supper / Communion**

We believe that Christians should partake of bread and grape juice as symbols, to remember what Christ accomplished for them on the cross. (Luke 22:19, 20)

### **Baptism of the Holy Spirit**

We believe that the baptism of the Holy Spirit is to empower believers to pray and do the works of Jesus as in Bible days. (Acts 1:8; 2:4)

### **The Spirit-filled Life**

We believe that it is the will of God for believers to be led and empowered daily by the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 4:30-32)

### **The Fruit of the Spirit**

We believe that a Christian should show spiritual fruit, such as love, as evidence of a Spirit-filled life. (Galatians 5:22)

### **The Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

We believe that the Holy Spirit has supernatural abilities to distribute to Christians. (I Corinthians 12:1-11)

**Moderation**

We believe that a believer's daily walk and experience should never lead into extremes of fanaticism. (Philippians 4:5)

**Divine Healing**

We believe that divine healing is the power of Jesus Christ to heal in answer to the prayer of faith.  
(James 5:14-16)

**The Second Coming of Christ**

We believe that the second coming of Christ is personal and imminent. (I Thessalonians 4:16, 17)

**Church Relationship**

We believe that it is a believer's duty to identify and regularly assemble with other believers in a local church. (Acts 16:5; Hebrews 10:25)

**Civil Government**

We believe that authorities should be obeyed at all times except when things oppose the will of God.  
(Romans 13:1-5)

**The Final Judgment**

We believe that all shall stand some day before God to be judged; and there receive eternal life or eternal death.  
(II Corinthians 5:10)

**Heaven**

We believe that heaven is the beautiful and eternal home of born-again believers.  
(John 14:1-3; Revelation 7:15-17)

**Hell**

We believe that hell is a literal place of eternal torment for all who reject Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.  
(Revelation 20:10, 15)

**Evangelism**

We believe that winning people to Jesus is the most important responsibility of every believer. (James 5:20)

**Tithes and Offerings**

We believe that the method designed by God for the support and spread of His cause is the giving of tithes and free-will offerings. (Malachi 3:10; II Corinthians 9:7)