

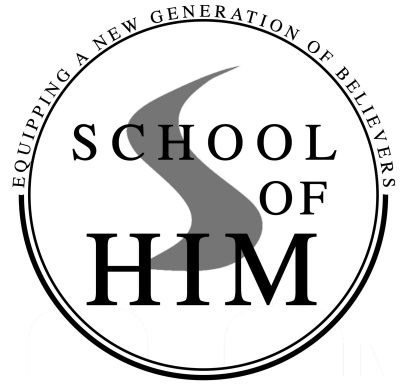
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# WHAT WE BELIEVE

*Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever.*

~ Hebrews 13:8 ~

## **Yesterday**

We believe the Bible to be the inspired, only infallible, authoritative Word of God and, in its entirety to be the inspired rule of faith and conduct.

We believe in one God eternally existent in three persons: The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit. The God-Head present at creation and as Creator is the source of all things.

We believe the Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. The third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father Almighty.

## **Today**

We believe in the forgiveness of sins and personal salvation by grace through faith in the shed blood and vicarious atoning death and bodily resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe God is no respecter of persons and that all men may receive salvation by calling upon the Name of Jesus by faith and confessing Him as their personal Lord and Savior.

We believe in the doctrine of baptisms.

Water baptism by immersion as an outward act of obedience, symbolizing the Christian's identification with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection.

The believer's baptism by the Holy Spirit into the Body of Christ and the corresponding fellowship and communion of the Saints.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit as a separate and distinct occurrence from the New Birth with the initial evidence of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance.

We believe in sanctification through the Word of God and by the Holy Spirit which results in personal holiness and purity of heart and life.

We believe in the present-day manifestation of the Gifts of the Spirit and the evidence of the fruit of the Spirit as recorded in 1 Corinthians 12 and 14 and Galatians 5. These are available to all believers.

We believe in divine healing through Faith in the name of Jesus Christ, and that healing and prosperity for the whole man (Spirit, Soul, and Body) is included in the redemption.

## **Forever**

We believe in the Christian Hope – the soon coming and personal return of The Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe in the physical, visible rapture of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe in the resurrection of the dead. The righteous dead will be raised into blessed reward and everlasting life. The unrighteous dead to a literal hell and eternal damnation.

We believe it is the responsibility of the believer to share the gospel (The Good News) of the redemptive plan of God to the whole world according to Christ's command in Mark 16.

We believe that God performs miracles, healings, signs and wonders today just like He did through Jesus' ministry and these miracles accompany believers today as they proclaim the Gospel of Christ.