

LESSON 8

LET'S LEARN BIBLE DOCTRINE

Paul had much to say about doctrine and its importance. Doctrine is simply the teachings of the Bible, God's Word. As Christians, we should know what the Bible teaches. Paul told Timothy in 1 Timothy 4:13, "Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine." 2 Timothy 3:16 says, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

The constitution of our church has a statement of faith, which is a brief summary of some of the major doctrines in the Bible. These are doctrines of:

1. DOCTRINE OF THE BIBLE

We believe in the Bible as the inspired word of God (every word inspired and completely given to us), as we find in the original manuscripts. All portions of scripture are equally inspired and contain no contradictions. The 66 books we have complete the Bible, never to be added to or taken from.

1 Tim. 3:16; Heb. 1:1; 1 Peter 1:20, 21; Rev. 22:18-19.

2. DOCTRINE OF GOD

We believe the Godhead exists in three persons - God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. They are eternal. These three make one God, which is called the Trinity. They are equal in all respects.

Gen. 1:1, 1:25; John 1:1, 14; John 14:16-17; 1 Tim. 3:16.

3. DOCTRINE OF JESUS CHRIST

We believe that Jesus is God the Son (deity), born of a virgin, begotten by Holy Spirit without human father. He was God and man - the God-Man. He is the only way of salvation, He died, was buried, and rose again the third day. He is coming back for us, the church and after 7 yrs. will come back with us to set up a 1000 year reign of righteousness on earth. He was without any sin whatsoever.

Isa. 7:14; Luke 1:35; John 1:1-4; John 10:30; John 14:6; 1 Tim. 2:5-6; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Rev. 20:4-6.

4. DOCTRINE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe the Holy Spirit is God and equal with the Father and Son. He is a person, not just an influence. He convicts, regenerates, indwells, seals, indwells, empowers and guides the believer. When you got saved the Holy Spirit came into your heart.

John 16:7-13; John 3:3-5; Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 6:19; Eph. 1:13; 5:18.

5. DOCTRINE OF MAN

We believe that God created man in His own image and that man sinned against God. All men are born with sinful nature, and must be born again or he will be eternally lost in hell.

Gen. 1:26-27; Psalm 51:5; Luke 16:23; Romans 3:23; Rev. 20:11-15; Rev. 21:8.

6. DOCTRINE OF SALVATION

We believe a person is saved when he repents of his sin and turns in faith by accepting Jesus Christ as his personal Savior. The believer is kept by power of God and is eternally secure in Christ.

Salvation includes the forgiveness of sins past, present, and future, which gives us a perfect standing before God in Jesus Christ.

Death fixes the fate of a person, no second chance after death. Also, the unsaved will be judged and cast alive into lake of fire to be tormented forever and ever.

John 1:12; John 5:24; John 10:28, 29; I Peter 1:5; Eph. 2:8-9; Heb. 9:27; Rev. 20:11-15.

7. DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH

We believe the local church is:

- a. Composed of local group of believers who are self-governing, and separate from any other church or ecclesiastical organization.**
- b. Composed of believers baptized by immersion.**
- c. Composed of believers who are organized and have officers as, Pastor and Deacons.**

d. Composed of believers who meet regularly for fellowship, worship and Bible study.

e. Composed of believers who observe ordinances of Baptism and Lord's Supper.

f. Composed of believers who carry out Great Commission.

1 Cor. 12:13; Acts 2:41, 47; Heb. 10:35; 1 Cor. 11:23; Matt. 28:18-20.

8. DOCTRINE OF SATAN AND FALLEN ANGELS

We believe that Satan is a personal being, created perfect by God, but sinned and became the arch enemy of God and His creation. He is the believers chief adversary. He seeks to keep men from Christ and believers from living for the Lord. He is in command of a host of fallen angels (demons) who carry out his orders. He has only the power God allows him, and will one day be cast into lake of fire forever.

Ezekiel 28:12-19; Isa. 14:12-14; Rev. 12:10; Rev. 20:10.

9. DOCTRINE OF FUTURE EVENTS

We believe the next event we look for is the coming of Christ to rapture the church out of this world. The saved in the church age, both living and dead will be taken. After this will follow a period of 7 years on earth called the Tribulation Period. We that are saved will be with Christ in heaven receiving our rewards during this 7 years period. We will then return with Christ to establish a 1000 year reign on earth. He will judge all living at this time. After the thousand year period, all the unsaved which have died since Adam will be resurrected and judged and cast alive into the lake of fire forever. We that are saved will spend eternity with Christ, after He fashions a new heaven and new earth.

1 Thess. 4:13-18; John 14:1-3; Rev. 6-19:10; 1 Cor. 3; 2 Cor. 5:10; Rev. 19:11-16; Rev. 20:1-6; Rev. 20:11-15; Rev. 21:1-2.

Write out and memorize 2 Timothy 3:16:

Has this new converts class helped you? _____

What is something you have liked about this online class?_____

WRITE DOWN ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE AND LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN HELP YOU!

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