

# Atascadero Bible Church

## Statement of Belief

“Equipping people to become more like Jesus.”

- 1. THE TRINITY**  
*We believe in the Triune God; Father (Genesis 1:1), Son (John 10:30), Holy Spirit (Acts 5:3-4).*
- 2. VERBAL INSPIRATION**  
*We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are verbally inspired and are our revelation of the will of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17).*
- 3. TOTAL DEPRAVITY**  
*We believe that all men are by nature corrupt and lost (Romans 3:19).*
- 4. SATAN**  
*We believe Satan is a fallen angel who leads a rebellion against God and God's people. (Isaiah 14:12; Ezekiel 28:17; Job 1:6-7)*
- 5. THE VIRGIN BIRTH**  
*We believe in the Virgin Birth and the Deity of Jesus Christ (Luke 1:35).*
- 6. THE VICARIOUS DEATH OF CHRIST**  
*We believe that Christ died for the ungodly (Romans 3:25).*
- 7. THE BODILY RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST**  
*We believe that Christ was raised from the dead, bodily (1 Corinthians 15:3-4).*
- 8. THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD**  
*We believe that all of the dead shall be raised: the righteous to everlasting life; the lost to condemnation (John 5:29).*
- 9. THE EXALTATION OF JESUS CHRIST**  
*We believe that Jesus Christ ascended to the Father's right hand where He is now (Acts 2:32-33; 1 Timothy 2:5).*
- 10. JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH**  
*We believe that men are justified upon the ground of faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ (Romans 4:5).*
- 11. THE PERSON AND WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**  
*We believe that the Holy Spirit is a Person, who convicts the world of sin, righteousness and judgment to come; that He regenerates, indwells, enlightens, and empowers the saved (John 16:8; Corinthians 3:16).*
- 12. ETERNAL SECURITY**  
*We believe in the eternal security and assurance of all the saved (John 10:28-29).*
- 13. THE CHURCH**  
*We believe that all of the saved in this dispensation are members of the universal church, which is the Body of Christ (Ephesians 4:12-16).*
- 14. SEPARATION FROM THE WORLD**  
*We believe that all of the saved are called into a life of separation from all worldly and sinful practices (James 4:4; Romans 12:1-2; 1 John 2:16; 2 Corinthians 6:14).*
- 15. THE TWO NATURES**  
*We believe that those who become New Creatures in Christ possess two natures and that they may have victory over the old nature through the power of the new nature; but that the eradication of the old nature is unscriptural (Romans 6:13, 8:12-13; Colossians 3: 1-10, Galatians 5:16-25; Ephesians 4; 22-24; 1 Peter 1: 1-16; 1 John 3:5-9).*
- 16. MISSIONS**  
*We believe that it is the obligation of the saved to witness by life and word to these truths and to proclaim the Gospel to all the world (Acts 1:8).*
- 17. HELL**  
*We believe that Hell is a place of conscious torment and is reserved for Satan and his angels and all who die unsaved (Revelation 20:10-15)*
- 18. THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST**  
*We believe that Christ will return to this earth personally and that He will rule and reign over the world as the Scriptures state (Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).*
- 19. HUMAN SEXUALITY**  
*Sexual activities, such as, but not limited to, adultery, fornication, incest, homosexuality, pedophilia, and bestiality are inconsistent with the teachings of the Bible and the Church. Further, lascivious behavior, the creation and/or distribution and/or viewing of pornography, and efforts to alter one's gender are incompatible with the biblical witness. Legitimate sexual relations are exercised solely within marriage between one man and one woman. (Genesis 2:18-24; Leviticus 18:22-26; Matthew 9:3-9; 1 Corinthians 6:9-19; Hebrews 13:4)*

**WE PURPOSE:** To function as an evangelical, missional Church of Jesus Christ, in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Bible; to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ both at home and abroad; to train Christian workers; to promote righteousness, justice, and loyalty to Jesus Christ and the Holy Bible as the very word of God.