

Statement of Faith

Bow Lake Baptist Church

God

We believe there is one, true, holy God, eternally existing in three persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God is our loving Creator, and is all powerful, all knowing and always present.

Jesus

We believe Jesus is the promised Messiah, the second person of the Trinity. Jesus obediently died on a cross to take the penalty for our sin; and rose from the dead to show He had defeated evil, sin, and death once and for all. Those that believe in Him will have everlasting life.

The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity, sent by Jesus to convict humankind of sin, causes spiritual birth, indwells, seals, sanctifies, guides, equips, teaches, and fills the believer, thus enabling believers to walk in obedience to God and His Word.

The Bible

We believe the Bible, consisting of the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments, is the living, inspired, and eternal word of God. The Bible contains the revealed will of God to humanity and is the only infallible and sufficient guide for our Christian faith and practice.

Salvation

We believe we are justified before God by grace. We are saved by grace, through faith, without any human effort and in Christ alone.

The Church

We believe in the church universal; a living spiritual body of which Christ is the Head and of which all believers in Christ are members. The church exists to glorify God, extend the gospel to all peoples, and to love one another.

Human Destiny

Humankind was created to exist forever. They will either exist in heaven in union with God through forgiveness and salvation or exist in hell eternally separated from God by sin. Although He gives all people free will to choose, God's desire is for no one to be separated from Him.