



**The Bible:** The Bible to be the only infallible, inspired, authoritative Word of God. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God. It contains truth without any mixture of error. We accept its authority over every area of our lives. Through it, we come to know God as revealed in the person of Jesus Christ.

**God:** God is the creator of all things. There is only one God, eternally in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is perfect, eternal, all-knowing, all-powerful, and present everywhere. He revealed Himself through Jesus the Messiah, who was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, died on the cross as the full payment for the sins of all who believe, rose from the dead, and is coming again in glory.

**Man:** Man is the special creation of God, in his own image. He created them, male and female as the crowning work of His creation. By his free choice, man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that, Christ died for man; therefore every person of every race possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

**Salvation:** Salvation involves the redemption, restoration, of the whole man-body, soul, and spirit. It is offered freely to all who willing believe and accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Salvation is by faith alone. It is neither earned or deserved it is a gift offered through God's grace. This gift was made possible through Jesus Christ who by shedding His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. Salvation is a ONE time definite action accepted by man through choice and belief in the finished work of Christ on the Cross. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, justification, sanctification, and glorification.

**The Church:** The Church is composed of all those who truly believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. It is the body and the bride of Christ. That every believer, whether Jew or Gentile, is baptized into the body of Christ by the Holy Spirit, and having thus become members of one another, we are responsible to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

**Holy Spirit:** Every believer receives the Holy Spirit the MOMENT he accepts Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. The Holy Spirit lives within the believer empowering them to choose to reject sin and follow Christ. His role as Teacher, Comforter, Revealer, and Convictor of sin. He is the influencing Power that enables the believer to grow in Christ-likeness while on earth.

**Baptism:** The action of water Baptism is the outward symbol of what God has already done in a person's life through salvation. It identifies the believer as a follower of Jesus Christ and a member of His Kingdom. This baptism is not necessary for salvation because salvation comes through faith of the believer of Jesus' life, death, burial, resurrection, and His promised return.



***Statement on Sexuality:*** We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as either male or female, and that these two distinct, complementary sexes together reflect the image and nature of God (Gen. 1:26-27). Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.

***Statement on Marriage:***

- We believe that the term "marriage" has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture (Gen. 2:18-25).
- We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other (1 Cor. 6:18; 7:2-5; Heb. 13:4).
- We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman.
- We believe that any form of sexual immorality (including adultery, fornication, cohabitation, homosexual behavior, or use of pornography) is sinful and offensive to God (Matt. 15:18-20; 1 Cor. 6:9-10).
- We believe that God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ (Acts 3:19-21; Rom 10:9-10; 1 Cor 6:9-11).
- We believe that every person must be afforded compassion, love, kindness, respect, and dignity (Mark 12:28-31; Luke 6:31). Hateful and harassing behavior or attitudes directed toward any individual are to be repudiated and are not in accord with Scripture nor the doctrines of Hope Remains Ranch.

***Statement on the Sanctity of Human Life:*** We believe that all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. Human life is of inestimable worth in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically or mentally challenged, and every other stage or condition from conception through natural death. We are therefore called to defend, protect, and value all human life. (Ps. 139.)

***Final Authority for Matters of Belief and Conduct:*** The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of Hope Remains Ranch's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our Founder & CEO and the Board of Directors are Hope Remains Ranch's final interpretive authority on the Bible's application.