

## **Doctrinal Basis**

- a. The divine inspiration and supreme authority of the Holy Scriptures, the only infallible rule of faith and practice in all religious matters.
- b. The existence of one God in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- c. The deity and the incarnation of the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Son of God, the Second Person in the Holy Trinity.
- d. The fallen, sinful and lost estate of all mankind.
- e. The salvation of people from the penal consequences and the power of sin through the perfect obedience of the Lord Jesus Christ, His atoning death, His resurrection from the dead, His ascension to the right hand of the Father and His unchanging priesthood.
- f. The direct work of the Holy Spirit in the regeneration of people, in their sanctification and in their preservation to the heavenly kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- g. The necessity, in order to obtain salvation, of repentance towards God and of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- h. The resurrection of the dead, the final judgement of all people by the Lord Jesus Christ, the "eternal blessedness" of the righteous and "eternal punishment" of the wicked.
- i. The two ordinances of the Lord Jesus Christ, namely Baptism and the Lord's Supper which are of perpetual obligation.
- j. Baptism being the immersion of believers upon the profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and a symbol of the fellowship of the regenerate in His death, burial and resurrection.
- k. The Lord's Supper being a memorial, until His second advent, of the sacrifice of the body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- I. The obligation on the church and on every believer to aid in proclaiming to all, salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ.

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