

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Billings Christian School is not affiliated with any specific denomination.

THE WORD OF GOD

• **We teach** that the Bible is God's written revelation to man and that the sixty-six books of the Bible were given to us by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and are, therefore, the Word of God. It is the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

(John 1:1, 2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21)

THE TRINITY

• **We teach** that there is only one God, infinitely perfect and eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, otherwise known as the Trinity.

(1 John 5:7-8, 2 Corinthians 13:14)

JESUS CHRIST

• **We teach** the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ as fully God and fully man, His virgin birth, His sinless life, His miracles, His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, His bodily resurrection, His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and His imminent return in power and glory.

(Philippians 2:5-8, Matthew 1:23, 1 Peter 2:22, John 21:25, Hebrews 9:13-14, John 20:27, Mark 16:1, Titus 2:11-13)

SALVATION

• **We teach** that, in order for the salvation of lost and sinful people, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is essential. This is a gift of grace through faith in Jesus Christ, not by works. *(Romans 10:9-10, John 3:3-8, Titus 3:5, 2 Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 2:8-9)*

FINAL JUDGEMENT

• **We teach** the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation. *(Philippians 3:29, Daniel 12:2, 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, John 5:28-29)*

THE HOLY SPIRIT

• **We teach** about the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. We teach that the Holy Spirit was sent to indwell, guide, teach, empower the believer, and convict the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. *(1 Corinthians 3:16, Acts 1:8, John 14:26, 2 Peter 1:3, Romans 8:11, John 14:16-17; 16:7-11)*

LIFESTYLE

- **We teach** that we, as believers, are to be transforming into the image and likeness of Jesus Christ. (*2 Cor. 3:18, Romans 8:29*)
- **We teach** that the Word of God, not the trends of the world, sets the standards for our lifestyle. (*Romans 12:2, Titus 2:11-12, 2 Cor. 6:17*)
- **We teach** that God wonderfully foreordained and immutably created each person as either biological male (man) or biological female (woman) in conformity with their biological sex. These two distinct yet complementary sexes together reflect the image and nature of God (*Genesis 1:26-27*).

MARRIAGE

- **We teach** that marriage has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture (Genesis 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 Corinthians 6:18, 7:2-5; Hebrews 13:4). We believe that God commands that there be no sexual intimacy outside of or apart from marriage between a man and a woman. (*Mark 10:6-9, Ephesians 5:3-32*)

CREATION

- **We teach** the creation account as recorded in the book of Genesis, and that all things were created through Him and for Him. (*Genesis 1:1, Genesis 1:27, Exodus 20:11, Col. 1:15-16, Hebrews 1:1-2*)

EVANGELISM

- **We teach** that we are all called, as followers of Christ, to proclaim, as evangelists, the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. (*Mark 16:15, Matthew 5:16; 28:19, 2 Cor. 5:17-21*)

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. (Psalm 139)

FINAL AUTHORITY FOR MATTERS OF LIFE 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 Billings Christian School's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our board of directors is Billings Christian School's final interpretive authority on the Bible's application.

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