

What We Believe

CALVARY CHAPEL OLD BRIDGE HAS BEEN FORMED AS A FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS IN THE LORDSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST.

Our supreme desire is to know Christ and be conformed to His image by the power of the Holy Spirit. We are not a denominational church, nor are we opposed to denominations as such, only to their over-emphasis of the doctrinal differences that have led to the division of the Body of Christ.

WE BELIEVE THE ONLY TRUE BASIS OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP IS CHRIST'S AGAPE LOVE,

which is greater than any differences we possess and without which we have no right to claim ourselves Christians.

WE BELIEVE WORSHIP OF GOD SHOULD BE SPIRITUAL.

Therefore, we remain flexible and yielded to the leading of the Holy Spirit to direct our worship.

WE BELIEVE WORSHIP OF GOD SHOULD BE INSPIRATIONAL.

Therefore, we give great place to music in our worship.

WE BELIEVE WORSHIP OF GOD SHOULD BE INTELLIGENT.

Therefore, our services are designed with great emphasis upon the teaching of the Word of God that He might instruct us how He should be worshipped.

WE BELIEVE WORSHIP OF GOD SHOULD BE FRUITFUL.

Therefore, we look for His love in our lives as the supreme manifestation that we have truly been worshipping Him.

WE BELIEVE IN ALL THE BASIC DOCTRINES OF HISTORIC CHRISTIANITY, INCLUDING THE INERRANCY OF SCRIPTURE, which is the belief that the Bible, Old and New Testaments are the inspired, infallible Word of God.

WE BELIEVE THAT THERE IS ONE GOD WHO IS ETERNALLY EXISTENT IN THREE DISTINCT PERSONS:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

WE BELIEVE THAT GOD IS THE PERSONAL, transcendent, and sovereign Creator of all things.

WE BELIEVE THAT JESUS CHRIST IS FULLY GOD AND FULLY HUMAN,

that He was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, provided for the atonement of our sins by His substitutionary death on the cross, was bodily raised from the dead, ascended back to the right hand of the Father, and ever lives to make intercession for us. After Jesus ascended to Heaven, He poured out His Holy Spirit on the believers in Jerusalem, enabling them to fulfill His command to preach the Gospel to the entire world, an obligation shared by all believers today.

WE BELIEVE IN THE PERSONAL, VISIBLE, AND PRE-MILLENNIAL SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST TO THE EARTH.

According to His promise, Jesus Christ will return in glory to the earth with His saints and set up a kingdom of which there will be no end. The dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all people in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

WE BELIEVE THAT ALL PEOPLE ARE, BY NATURE, SEPARATED FROM GOD AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN SIN, BUT THAT SALVATION, REDEMPTION, AND FORGIVENESS ARE FREELY OFFERED TO ALL BY THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

WE BELIEVE THAT ETERNAL SALVATION IS FREE, BY GRACE ALONE, APART FROM WORKS, AND IS AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO PLACE THEIR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD, WHO DIED ON THE CROSS FOR SINS AND ROSE AGAIN FROM THE DEAD.

When a person repents of sin and accepts Jesus Christ as personal Savior and Lord, trusting Him to save, that person is immediately born again and sealed by the Holy Spirit, all his/her sins are forgiven, and that person becomes a child of God, destined to spend eternity with the Lord.

WE BELIEVE IN THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT MENTIONED IN THE SCRIPTURES, AND THAT THEY ARE VALID FOR TODAY IF THEY ARE EXERCISED WITHIN THE SCRIPTURAL GUIDELINES.

We as believers are to covet the best gifts, seeking to exercise them in love that the whole Body of Christ might be edified. We believe that love is more important than the most spectacular gifts, and without this love all exercise of spiritual gifts is worthless.

WE BELIEVE THAT MARRIAGE IS A COVENANT, DESIGNED BY GOD, BETWEEN ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN AS GOD BIOLOGICALLY CREATED THEM MALE AND FEMALE FROM FERTILIZATION.

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 fertilization through natural death.