



Faith Christian Home Educators Statement of Faith



Faith Christian Home Educators (FCHE) operates based on and pursuant to the following Statement of Faith, which it requires participating students, parents, guardians, tutors, employees, and Board Members to follow. FCHE is a non-profit, Christian, non-denominational organization. It does not endorse any specific denomination. It does promote Biblical Christian principles. FCHE believes the following:

1. We believe that the Bible is the inspired, inerrant and infallible Word of God. It is written without error under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and has the final authority in all matters of faith and conduct according to 2 Timothy 3:16-17, which states, “All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”
2. We believe in the Trinity (John 1:1, John 1:14, 1John 5:7) – there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons of spirit: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and our worship will consist in worshipping the one true God only as Matthew 4:10 states, “Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only.”
3. We believe that Jesus is the express image of the invisible God, which is to say He is God; that He became man, yet without sin, being conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary; that He died on the cross as a substitutionary sacrifice for sin; that He arose from the dead in the body in which He was crucified; that He ascended into heaven in that body glorified, where He is now, our interceding High Priest; and that He will return again personally, visibly, and gloriously.
4. We believe that anyone turning from sin in repentance and looking to Christ, believing in Him and His substitutionary death receives the gift of eternal life and is declared righteous by God as a free gift. Salvation is wholly of God; by grace; that God in love, gave His only son to die on the cross for sin, thus procuring the redemption of those who come to Him; that this salvation is not merited in any way by man; that God commands men everywhere to repent of sin and believe in Christ; and that this salvation is eternal in its duration. Ephesians 2:8-9 states, “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast.”
5. We believe the Lord Jesus died as a sacrifice for our sins; He rose victorious from the grave on the third day; He ascended to the right hand of the Father; He makes continual intercession for believers, and all who believe in Him are justified by His shed blood. Ephesians 1:7 states, “In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace.” And Hebrews 7:25 states, “Therefore, He is able to save completely those who come to God through Him because He always lives to intercede for them.”
6. We believe in the fall of man; although originally created in the image of God, through the disobedience of Adam, man fell into a sinful and spiritually impotent state, totally unable to justify himself before God.

7. 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)
8. We believe that in order to preserve the function and integrity of Faith Christian Home Educators (FCHE), and to provide a biblical role model to the FCHE members and the community, it is imperative that all members of FCHE agree to and abide by the following *Statement on Marriage, Gender, and Sexuality*. (Matt 5:16; Phil 2:14-16; 1 Thess 5:22.)
 - We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person. The Bible says that He created them male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God as is stated in Genesis 1:26-27. Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of God's intent, plan, and design for one's life.
 - We believe that God created marriage to be the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Gen 2:18-24 and Matt 19:4-5. 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, homosexual behavior, sexual conduct, bestiality, incest, and use of pornography) is sinful and offensive to God. (Matt 15:18-19; 1 Cor 6:9-10.)
9. 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.)
10. 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 Faith Christian Home Educators.
11. We fully adhere to Hebrews 13:8 which states, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

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 FCHE's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our Board of Directors is FCHE's final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.

I acknowledge that I understand and affirm the above principles. All matters pertaining to teaching, discipline, social events, and any other issues concerning Faith Christian Home Educators Co-op will be handled according to these principles.

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