

Do you really believe the Bible?

If so, then you believe ...

THAT THERE IS JUST ONE GOD

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was not God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no savior. *Isaiah 43:10-11* (*Isaiah 44:6*; *Revelation 1:8, 17**; *Rev. 22:12-13**)

THAT GOD DOES NOT CHANGE

For I am the lord, I change not. *Malachi 3:6* (*Hebrews 13:8*)

THAT GOD IS A TRINITY

For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one. *1 John 5:7** By the word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath [Spirit] of his mouth. *Psalms 33:6*.

THAT GOD WAS BORN ON EARTH IN A PHYSICAL BODY

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. *John 1:1* (*John 20:38*)

THAT JESUS IS GOD

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. *John 1:1* (*John 20:28*)

THAT JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD WITH HIS PHYSICAL BODY

And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet. *Luke 24:36-40* (*John 20:20, 27*; *Acts 2:27*)

THAT CHRIST PREACHED TO THE DEAD

He went and preached unto the spirits in prison; which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah. *1 Peter 3:19-20* (*1 Peter 4:6*; *Ephesians 4:9*; *Matthew 12:40*; *Zechariah 9:11, 12*)

THAT CHRIST BUILT A CHURCH

I will build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. *Matthew 16:18*. (*Acts 20:28*; *Ephesians 4:11*)

THAT CHRIST BUILT ONLY ONE CHURCH

There shall be one fold and one Shepherd. *John 10:16* (*John 17:11, 2-23*; *11:51-52*; *12:13*)

THAT THE ONLY SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY IN THE WORLD IS THE CHURCH

The church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. *1 Tim. 3:15*. If he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican. *Matt. 18:17* (*Luke 10:16*; *1 John 4:6*; *Matthew 10:40*)

THAT ALL CHURCHES AND DENOMINATIONS FOUNDED AFTER AD 33 ARE FALSE

But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. *2 Peter 2:1-2* (*2 Corinthians 11:12*, *Matt. 24:11, 24*; *Galatians 1:7, 8*; *Acts 20:29-30*; *Luke 10:16*; *Mark 13:22*)

THAT CHRIST GAVE HIS CHURCH POWER TO FORGIVE SINS

Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained. *John 20:23* (*2 Cor. 2:10*; *Leviticus 4:26*; *Matt. 16:19, 18:18*; *James 5:16*)

THAT THE CHURCH HAS A HIERARCHY OF SPIRITUAL OFFICES

And he gave some, apostles; and some prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ. *Ephesians 4:11, 12* (*Eph. 3:7*; *Acts 20:28*; *Heb. 13:7*; *Colossians 1:25*; *1 Cor. 12:28*)

THAT THE CHURCH CHRIST FOUNDED HAS BISHOPS, ELDERS, AND DEACONS

Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons. *Philippians 1:1*. For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee. *Titus 1:5* (1 Tim. 3:1-13; James 5:14; Titus 1:7; 1 Tim. 4:14; 5:17, 19)

THAT WE MUST BE BAPTIZED TO BE SAVED

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. *Mark 16:16* (John 3:3, 5; 1 Peter 3:21)

THAT BAPTISM WASHES AWAY ALL SIN

Be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. *Acts 2:38*. Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins. *Acts 22:16*

THAT AFTER BAPTISM WE MUST RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST (HOLY SPIRIT)

Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened. And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon Him. *Luke 3:21-22* (*Acts 8:14-17; 19:2; John 14:26; 15:26; 1 Cor. 6:11, 19; Acts 1:5; Philippians 3:5*)

THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT IS IMPARTED BY THE LAYING ON OF HANDS OF THE APOSTLES AND THEIR SUCCESSORS

They laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost ... through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given. *Acts 8:17-19; 19:6* (1 Tim. 6:22)

THAT THE BREAD AND CUP OF THE LORD'S TABLE ARE TRULY THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break is it not the communion of body of Christ? *1 Cor. 10:16* (John 6:35, 41, 48, 51, 53-58; Luke 22:19-20; Mark 14:22-24)

THAT INFANTS AND CHILDREN OF BELIEVERS SHOULD BE BAPTIZED AND FED AT THE LORD'S TABLE

Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven. *Matt. 19:14*. Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; and did all eat the same spiritual meat; and did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ ... Now these things were our examples. *1 Cor. 10:1-4, 6*

THAT THE SICK SHOULD BE ANOINTED WITH OIL FOR THEIR HEALING

Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. *James 5:14-15*. And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them. *Mark 6:13*

THAT THE CHURCH CHRIST FOUNDED WILL USE INCENSE IN WORSHIP

For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of hosts. *Malachi 1:11* (Rev. 8:3-4)

THAT HOLY SCRIPTURE CANNOT BE PRIVATELY INTERPRETED

Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. *2 Peter 1:20* (*Ezekiel 13:3; 1 John 4:6; Jeremiah 6:16, 23:21, 27:15, 29:9, Mal. 2:7*)

THAT THE TRUE CHURCH WILL NOT CHANGE HER TEACHINGS, NOR WILL RECEIVE REVELATIONS THAT CONTRADICT WHAT SHE HAS ALWAYS TAUGHT.

But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed. *Galatians 1:8-9* (Numbers 23:19)

THAT THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IS BASED NOT ONLY ON THE BIBLE, BUT ON HOLY TRADITION

Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. *2 Thessalonians 2:16* (2 Thess. 3:6; 2 Tim. 2:2, 1:13; Gal 1:8-9; Luke 10:16; Romans 16:17; John 13:20, 14:26; Mark 4:34)

THAT THE VIRGIN MARY IS THE MOTHER OF GOD

Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost, and she spake out with a loud voice: ...Whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? *Luke 1:41, 42* (Psalm 118:27; Matt. 2:11, 13:55, 12:46, 1:18; Mark 6:3, 3:31; Luke 2:48; John 2:1, 19:25-26; Acts 1:14; Gal. 4:4)

THAT THE VIRGIN MARY SHOULD BE CALLED "BLESSED"

And Mary said, ...Behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. *Luke 1:46, 48* (Proverbs 31:28; John 11:27-28; Luke 1:45, 2:19; Psalm 45:17)

THAT THE VIRGIN MARY HAS INTERCESSORY POWERS

The mother of Jesus saith unto Him, They have no wine ...His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it. *John 2:1-11*

THAT WE SHOULD PRAY FOR THE DEAD

And also in that he perceived that there was great favor laid up for those that died godly, it was an holy and good thought. Whereupon he made a reconciliation for the dead, that they might be delivered from sin. *2 Maccabees 12:45**

THAT WE CAN CALL UPON THE SAINTS AND ANGELS IN HEAVEN TO PRAY FOR US

Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure. Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the Lord O my soul. *Psalm 103:20-22* Cause not thy mercy to depart from us, for thy beloved Abraham's sake, for thy servant Isaac's sake, and for thy holy Israel's sake. Song of the Three Holy Children 12*

THAT THE BODIES AND BELONGINGS OF THE SAINTS CAN WORK MIRACLES

And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band of men; and they cast the man into the sepulcher of Elisha; and when the man was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet. *2 Kings 13:21* (Acts 19:11-12, Ecclesiasticus 48:13-14*)

All of these passages are quoted verbatim from the King James Version. If your Bible does not have the passages marked with a star [*], whatever its version, then you do not have the whole Bible, but a Bible full of holes. "If any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." *Rev. 22:19*

If you really believe the Bible, then you believe all of these things. If there is even one of these points the Bible clearly teaches that you doubt, you should consider that "whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all" (James 2:10). Jesus said: "Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven. (Matt. 5:29). "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away" (Mark 13:31)

If you really believe the Bible, and seek to submit to the Word of God in all things, and yet your church, organization, or fellowship denies any part of it, or refuses to practice what the Bible clearly teaches, what should you do? Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me" (John 10:27).

If you really believe the Bible, and want to know about the Church that really believes the Bible, the only Church that our Lord, God, and Saviour Jesus Christ founded, please contact:

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Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness, and the work of faith with power.

2 Thessalonians 1:11