## Theological Affirmations

The faculty of Central Christian College of the Bible ascribe to the following theological affirmations. Students are expected to be able to know CCCB's positions on these topics while coming to their own biblical conclusions.

- 1. The one God (Yahweh) exists eternally in the three persons of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matt 28:19; 2 Cor 13:14).
- 2. Scripture is inspired, wholly without error in the original manuscripts, and the sole authority for the Christian's faith and practice (1 Tim 3:16; 2 Pet 1:19–21; John 10:35, 17:17; 1 Cor 2:12–13).
- 3. All that exists was created by God; He made humanity in His own image (Gen 1:1-27; Matt 19:4).
- 4. Adam and Eve's disobedience introduced sin and death to all mankind, who fall short of God's glory because of their own sin (Gen 3:1–19; Rom 3:23, 5:12–14).
- 5. Jesus Christ, God incarnate, was born of a virgin, tempted but without sin, fully human and fully divine (Phil 2:5–11; John 1:1–15; Isa 7:14; Luke 1:26–35; Heb 4:15).
- 6. The atoning death of Christ on the cross and his bodily resurrection from the grave demonstrate God's love and provide forgiveness and eternal life (Rom 5:6–11; 1 Cor 15:3–11).
- 7. By God's grace, salvation is available to all people, through personal faith in Christ, at the immersion of a penitent believer (Rom 3:21–25, 6:1-14; Gal 3:26–29; Eph 2:8–10; Acts 2:38).
- 8. The Holy Spirit inspired the authors of Scripture and miraculously empowered apostles and prophets to be the foundation of the church. Today, the Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin, regenerates believers, and indwells them for comfort, sanctification, and Kingdom service (2 Pet 1:19– 21; John 3:5–8, 16:8–11; Titus 3:5–7; Gal 5:16–25; 1 Cor 12:4–7: Eph 2:20).
- 9. The bodily return of Christ will bring the resurrection of the dead and the final judgment of the righteous to eternal life and the wicked to everlasting destruction (Matt 24:29–51; 1 Cor 15:50–58; 2 Thess 1:9; Rev 20:7–15).
- 10. Christ has called the church to be holy, to carry out his Great Commission, and to build up all Christians. Each local congregation should be autonomous and unified, following the model of the New Testament church in government and practice (Matthew 16:18, 19, 28:18–20; Ephesians 4:16ff.).

CCCB also ascribes to the Tenets of Faith shared by all members of the Association for Biblical higher Education (abhe.org/about-abhe/tenets-of-faith).