

HIDDEN VALLEY: *We Believe*

We believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God, and is true and accurate. It is the utmost authority in life. 2 Timothy 3:16; Romans 15:4

We believe in one God in three persons. God the Father, from whom all things are given. God the Son, Jesus Christ through whom His deity was manifested in human form, and God the Holy Spirit who is the conduit for the believer's relationship with Jesus Christ and God the Father today. All three work in unison and each person is equal as God. Matthew 28:19; Isaiah 44:6; Revelation 1:4-5

We believe that God made mankind perfect and eternal with freewill to make any choice mankind wanted to, and when we chose to not obey God, we sinned (breaking the natural order as was created) and all of humanity is now under the curse of sin and eternally separated from Him. Genesis 3:6; Romans 5:12-14; Psalm 51:5; Romans 3:9-23; God is holy and no sin can enter His presence, and because of God's love He created a way for us all to come back into right relationship with Him without compromising His Holiness and perfection. Romans 3:25-26; 4:3-8; Heb. 9:11-15

We believe in the virgin birth, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ as it is recorded in the Gospels and prophetically told in the Old Testament. Deuteronomy 18:18; 2 Peter 1:19-21; John 1:14, 3:13-17; Romans 5:8; Luke 24:1-3 Through Jesus' life, death and resurrection, He brought forgiveness of sin to all of mankind through faith in Him and we are justified before God the Father by the blood that was shed as He was crucified an innocent, sinless man. 1 John 4: 2-3; 2 John 7; 1 Peter 2:22; John 8:46; 2 Corinthians 5:21;

We believe that God sent His Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. Acts 2:1-4; Holy Spirit baptism is for ordinary men and women that choose to make Jesus the Lord of their life and is for today. Acts 2:38; The Holy Spirit was sent to convict the world of sin, and to be a paraclete (companion, comforter, teacher) to those who believe in Jesus Christ and are disciples of Him. John 16:7-15; The Holy Spirit's work can be seen in the believer through the changed life and manifestation of the Fruit of the Spirit. Galatians 5:22-26

We believe that salvation is available to all who will believe and salvation only comes by confessing and repenting of sin, and choosing to follow Jesus. Acts 4:12; Ephesians 2:8; There is nothing that we can do to earn salvation or right standing with God and salvation is by faith through grace alone. God desires that everyone be saved 2 Peter 3:9.

We believe in the manifestation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit that were experienced in the New Testament church as a result of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit Luke 24:49; Acts 1:3-8; 2:36-38; 8:12-17; 10:44-48; 19:1-7. Jesus was clear as were the apostles that all believers were to experience the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and that as many gifts as are given by the Spirit should be received and operate in a healthy community of believers, John 7:37-39; 1 Cor, 14:1-5. We believe that Scripture gives us the best outline for the function and roles for each of those gifts 1 Cor. 12 and 14. Spiritual Gifts are to edify the Church and the individual as an outworking of love and also to be a sign to the non-believer always glorifying and lifting up Jesus Christ as Lord 1 Cor. 12:1-11.

We believe that Jesus Christ will return again to this Earth in His glory. He will put an end to the works of Satan and will reign on this earth. 1 Thessalonians 5:1-4 We believe that only God knows the time or the date of His return, but that those who have faith in Him will experience the rapture, and the dead in Christ will rise again. 1 Corinthians 15:35-44; God will judge all mankind and grant eternal life for the righteous in Christ and eternal punishment for those who do not know Jesus Christ. Matthew 25:41