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## Covenant Convictions Worksheet

This CCW is created to help you take a next step toward covenant membership. This worksheet is designed to help you clarify and discover what core convictions bind our RCS covenant community. We pray that this worksheet helps you to better understand what you believe and simultaneously assist you to grow towards a biblical understanding of covenant membership.

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### ***Articles of Faith pertaining to our Covenant Membership Application.***

#### **4.1 The Scriptures**

The Holy Bible was written by men \_\_\_\_\_ and is God's revelation of Himself to man. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. It has \_\_\_\_\_ for its author, \_\_\_\_\_ for its end, and \_\_\_\_\_, without any mixture of \_\_\_\_\_, for its matter. Therefore, all Scripture is totally \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. It reveals the principles by which God judges us, and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ should be tried. All Scripture is a \_\_\_\_\_, who is Himself the focus of divine revelation.

#### **Scripture References:**

*Exodus 24:4; Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 17:19; Joshua 8:34; Psalms 19:7-10; 119:11,89,105,140; Isaiah 34:16; 40:8; Jeremiah 15:16; 36:1-32; Matthew 5:17-18; 22:29; Luke 21:33; 24:44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16ff.; 17:11; Romans 15:4; 16:25-26; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Hebrews 1:1-2; 4:12; 1 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.*

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## 4.2 God

There is \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ living and true God. He is an \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_ of the universe. God is infinite in \_\_\_\_ and all other perfections. God is all \_\_\_\_ and all \_\_\_\_; and His perfect \_\_\_\_ extends to all things, past, present, and future, including the future decisions of His free creatures. To Him we owe the highest love, \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_ reveals Himself to us as \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, \_\_\_\_, or being.

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#### 4.2.1 God the Father

God as \_\_\_\_\_ reigns with \_\_\_\_\_ care over His \_\_\_\_\_, His \_\_\_\_\_, and the flow of the stream of human history according to the \_\_\_\_\_ of His \_\_\_\_\_. He is all \_\_\_\_\_, all \_\_\_\_\_, all \_\_\_\_\_, and all \_\_\_\_\_. God is Father in \_\_\_\_\_ to those who become \_\_\_\_\_ of God through \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

#### Scripture References:

Genesis 1:1; 2:7; Exodus 3:14; 6:2-3; 15:11ff.; 20:1ff.; Leviticus 22:2; Deuteronomy 6:4; 32:6; 1 Chronicles 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isaiah 43:3,15; 64:8; Jeremiah 10:10; 17:13; Matthew 6:9ff.; 7:11; 23:9; 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24; 5:26; 14:6-13; 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Romans 8:14-15; 1 Corinthians 8:6; Galatians 4:6; Ephesians 4:6; Colossians 1:15; 1 Timothy 1:17; Hebrews 11:6; 12:9; 1 Peter 1:17; 1 John 5:7

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### 4.2.2 God the Son

Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_ Son of \_\_\_\_\_. In His \_\_\_\_\_ as Jesus Christ He was conceived of the \_\_\_\_\_ and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly \_\_\_\_\_ and did the will of God, taking upon Himself \_\_\_\_\_ with its demands and necessities and identifying Himself completely with \_\_\_\_\_ yet without \_\_\_\_\_. He honored the \_\_\_\_\_ by His personal \_\_\_\_\_, and in His \_\_\_\_\_ death on the cross He made provision for the \_\_\_\_\_ of men from sin. He was raised from the \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_ body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His \_\_\_\_\_. He \_\_\_\_\_ into heaven and is now \_\_\_\_\_ at the right hand of God where He is the One \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ God, fully man, in whose Person is affected the \_\_\_\_\_ between God and man. He will return in power and glory to \_\_\_\_\_ the world and to consummate His \_\_\_\_\_. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

#### Scripture References:

Genesis 18:1ff.; Psalms 2:7ff.; 110:1ff.; Isaiah 7:14; Isaiah 53:1-12; Matthew 1:18-23; 3:17; 8:29; 11:27; 14:33; 16:16,27; 17:5; 27; 28:1-6,19;  
 Mark 1:1; 3:11; Luke 1:35; 4:41; 22:70; 24:46; John 1:1-18,29; 10:30,38; 11:25-27; 12:44-50; 14:7-11; 16:15-16,28; 17:1-5, 21-22; 20:1-20,28; Acts 1:9; 2:22-24; 7:55-56; 9:4-5,20; Romans 1:3-4; 3:23-26; 5:6-21; 8:1-3,34; 10:4; 1 Corinthians 1:30; 2:2; 8:6; 15:1-8,24-28; 2 Corinthians 5:19-21; 8:9; Galatians 4:4-5; Ephesians 1:20; 3:11; 4:7-10; Philippians 2:5-11; Colossians 1:13-22; 2:9; 1 Thessalonians 4:14- 18; 1 Timothy 2:5-6; 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Hebrews 1:1-3; 4:14-15; 7:14-28; 9:12-15,24-28; 12:2; 13:8; 1 Peter 2:21-25; 3:22; 1 John 1:7-9; 3:2; 4:14-15; 5:9; 2 John 7-9; Revelation 1:13-16; 5:9-14; 12:10-11; 13:8; 19:16.

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### 4.2.3 God the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, fully \_\_\_\_\_. He \_\_\_\_\_ holy men of old to write the \_\_\_\_\_. Through \_\_\_\_\_ He enables men to understand \_\_\_\_\_. He exalts \_\_\_\_\_. He \_\_\_\_\_ men of sin, of \_\_\_\_\_, and of \_\_\_\_\_. He calls men to the \_\_\_\_\_, and effects \_\_\_\_\_. At the moment of \_\_\_\_\_ He baptizes every \_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ. He \_\_\_\_\_ Christian character, \_\_\_\_\_ believers, and \_\_\_\_\_ the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ by which they serve \_\_\_\_\_ through His \_\_\_\_\_. He \_\_\_\_\_ the believer unto the day of final \_\_\_\_\_. His \_\_\_\_\_ in the Christian is the guarantee that God will bring the believer into the \_\_\_\_\_ of the stature of Christ. He \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the believer and the church in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Scripture References:

Genesis 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalms 51:11; 139:7ff.; Isaiah 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matthew 1:18; 3:16; 4:1; 12:28-32; 28:19; Mark 1:10,12; Luke 1:35; 4:1,18-19; 11:13; 12:12; 24:49; John 4:24; 14:16-17,26; 15:26; 16:7-14; Acts 1:8; 2:1-4,38; 4:31; 5:3; 6:3; 7:55; 8:17,39; 10:44; 13:2; 15:28; 16:6; 19:1-6; Romans 8:9-11,14-16,26-27; 1 Corinthians 2:10-14; 3:16; 12:3-11,13; Galatians 4:6; Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30; 5:18; 1 Thessalonians 5:19; 1 Timothy 3:16; 4:1; 2 Timothy 1:14; 3:16; Hebrews 9:8,14; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 John 4:13; 5:6-7; Revelation 1:10; 22:17

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### 4.3 Man

Man is the \_\_\_\_\_ creation of God, made in His \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_. He created them \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ as the crowning work of His creation. The gift of \_\_\_\_\_ is thus part of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's creation. In the beginning man was \_\_\_\_\_ of sin and was \_\_\_\_\_ by his Creator with \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. By his free choice man \_\_\_\_\_ against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his \_\_\_\_\_ innocence whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment \_\_\_\_\_ toward sin. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ of God can bring man into His holy \_\_\_\_\_ and enable man to fulfill the \_\_\_\_\_ purpose of God. The \_\_\_\_\_ of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_; therefore, every \_\_\_\_\_ of every \_\_\_\_\_ possesses full \_\_\_\_\_ and is worthy of \_\_\_\_\_ and Christian love.

#### Scripture References:

Genesis 1:26-30; 2:5,7,18-22; 3; 9:6; Psalms 1; 8:3-6; 32:1-5; 51:5; Isaiah 6:5; Jeremiah 17:5; Matthew 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Romans 1:19-32; 3:10-18,23; 5:6,12,19; 6:6; 7:14-25; 8:14-18,29; 1 Corinthians 1:21-31; 15:19,21-22; Ephesians 2:1-22; Colossians 1:21-22; 3:9-11.

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#### 4.4 Salvation

\_\_\_\_\_ involves the \_\_\_\_\_ of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, who by His own \_\_\_\_\_ obtained \_\_\_\_\_ for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. There is no salvation apart from \_\_\_\_\_ faith in Jesus Christ as \_\_\_\_\_.

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#### 4.4.1 Regeneration

\_\_\_\_\_, or the new birth, is a work of God's \_\_\_\_\_ whereby believers become new \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ Jesus. It is a change of \_\_\_\_\_ wrought by the Holy Spirit through \_\_\_\_\_ of sin, to which the sinner responds in \_\_\_\_\_ toward God and \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance and faith are \_\_\_\_\_ experiences of grace. Repentance is a \_\_\_\_\_ turning from sin toward God. \_\_\_\_\_ is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior.

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#### 4.4.2 Justification

\_\_\_\_\_ is God's gracious and full \_\_\_\_\_ upon principles of His \_\_\_\_\_ of all sinners who \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ. Justification brings the believer unto a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ with God.

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#### 4.4.3. Sanctification

Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is \_\_\_\_\_ to God's \_\_\_\_\_, and is enabled to \_\_\_\_\_ toward \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ maturity through the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ in him. Growth in \_\_\_\_\_ should continue throughout the \_\_\_\_\_ person's life.

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**4.4.4. Glorification**

Glorification is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and is the final \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ state of the \_\_\_\_\_.

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#### 4.4.5. Eternal Security

Eternal Security is those whom God has \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ by His Spirit, will \_\_\_\_\_ fall away from the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, but shall \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_. Believers may fall into sin through \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, whereby they \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_, impair their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, and bring \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ judgments on themselves; yet they shall be kept by the \_\_\_\_\_ of God through \_\_\_\_\_ unto salvation.

#### Scripture References:

Genesis 3:15; Exodus 3:14-17; 6:2-8; Matthew 1:21; 4:17; 16:21-26; 27:22-28:6; Luke 1:68-69; 2:28-32; John 1:11-14,29; 3:3-21,36; 5:24; 10:9,28-29; 15:1-16; 17:17; Acts 2:21; 4:12; 15:11; 16:30-31; 17:30-31; 20:32; Romans 1:16-18; 2:4; 3:23-25; 4:3ff.; 5:8-10; 6:1-23; 8:1-18,29-39; 10:9-10,13; 13:11-14; 1 Corinthians 1:18,30; 6:19-20; 15:10; 2 Corinthians 5:17-20; Galatians 2:20; 3:13; 5:22-25; 6:15; Ephesians 1:7; 2:8-22; 4:11-16; Philippians 2:12-13; Colossians 1:9-22; 3:1ff.; 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24; 2 Timothy 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 2:1-3; 5:8-9; 9:24-28; 11:1-12:8,14; James 2:14-26; 1 Peter 1:2-23; 1 John 1:6-2:11; Revelation 3:20; 21:1-22:5.

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#### 4.5. God's Purpose of Grace

Election is the \_\_\_\_\_ purpose of \_\_\_\_\_, according to which He \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ sinners. It is consistent with the free \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is the \_\_\_\_\_ display of God's \_\_\_\_\_, and is infinitely \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. It excludes \_\_\_\_\_ and promotes \_\_\_\_\_.

All \_\_\_\_\_ believers \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and \_\_\_\_\_ by His Spirit, will never fall away from the \_\_\_\_\_ of grace, but shall \_\_\_\_\_ to the end. Believers may fall into \_\_\_\_\_ through neglect and \_\_\_\_\_, whereby they grieve the \_\_\_\_\_, impair their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, and bring \_\_\_\_\_ on the cause of \_\_\_\_\_ and temporal \_\_\_\_\_ on themselves; yet they shall be kept by the \_\_\_\_\_ of God through \_\_\_\_\_ unto \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Scripture References:

Genesis 12:1-3; Exodus 19:5-8; 1 Samuel 8:4-7,19-22; Isaiah 5:1-7; Jeremiah 31:31ff.; Matthew 16:18-19; 21:28-45; 24:22,31; 25:34; Luke 1:68-79; 2:29-32; 19:41-44; 24:44-48; John 1:12-14; 3:16; 5:24; 6:44-45,65; 10:27-29; 15:16; 17:6,12,17-18; Acts 20:32; Romans 5:9-10;8:28-39; 10:12-15; 11:5-7,26-36; 1 Corinthians 1:1-2; 15:24-28; Ephesians 1:4-23; 2:1-10; 3:1-11; Colossians 1:12-14; 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14; 2 Timothy 1:12; 2:10,19; Hebrews 11:39-12:2; James 1:12; 1 Peter 1:2-5,13; 2:4-10; 1 John 1:7-9; 2:19; 3:2.

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## 4.6 The Church

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is an \_\_\_\_\_ local \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ believers. Associated by \_\_\_\_\_ in the faith and \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_, the church observes two \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ (see 4.6), governed by His laws; exercising the gifts, rights, and privileges invested in them by His Word; and seeks to \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel to the ends of the earth. Its scriptural officers are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. While both men and women are gifted for \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_, the office of \_\_\_\_\_ is limited to men as \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ which includes all of the \_\_\_\_\_ of all the ages, believers from every tribe, and \_\_\_\_\_, and people, and nation.

### Scripture References:

Matthew 16:15-19; 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42,47; 5:11-14; 6:3-6; 13:1-3; 14:23,27; 15:1-30; 16:5; 20:28; Romans 1:7; 1 Corinthians 1:2; 3:16; 5:4-5; 7:17; 9:13-14; 12; Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:19-22; 3:8-11,21; 5:22-32; Philippians 1:1; Colossians 1:18; 1 Timothy 2:9-14; 3:1-15; 4:14; Hebrews 11:39-40; 1 Peter 5:1-4; Revelation 2-3; 21:2-3.

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#### 4.7 Baptism and the Lord's Supper

Christian baptism is the \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of \_\_\_\_\_ symbolizing the believer's \_\_\_\_\_ in a \_\_\_\_\_, buried, and \_\_\_\_\_ Savior, the believer's \_\_\_\_\_ to sin, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the old life, and the \_\_\_\_\_ to walk in \_\_\_\_\_ of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privileges of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church, through partaking of the bread and the cup, memorialize the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ and anticipate His second coming.

#### Scripture References:

Matthew 3:13-17; 26:26-30; 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11; 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22; 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42; 8:35-39; 16:30-33; 20:7;

Romans 6:3-5; 1 Corinthians 10:16,21; 11:23-29; Colossians 2:12

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#### 4.8 The Lord's Day

The first day of the week is the Lord's \_\_\_\_\_. It is a Christian \_\_\_\_\_ for regular \_\_\_\_\_. It commemorates the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ from the \_\_\_\_\_ and should include exercises of \_\_\_\_\_ and spiritual \_\_\_\_\_, both public and private. Activities on the Lord's Day should be \_\_\_\_\_ with the Christian's conscience under the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.

#### Scripture References:

Exodus 20:8-11; Matthew 12:1-12; 28:1ff.; Mark 2:27-28; 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3,33-36; John 4:21-24; 20:1,19-28; Acts 20:7; Romans 14:5-10; I Corinthians 16:1-2; Colossians 2:16; 3:16; Revelation 1:10

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#### 4.9 The Kingdom

The Kingdom of God includes both His general \_\_\_\_\_ over the universe and His particular \_\_\_\_\_ over men who willfully \_\_\_\_\_ Him as King. Particularly the \_\_\_\_\_ is the realm of salvation into which men enter by \_\_\_\_\_, childlike \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus Christ.

Christians ought to \_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_ that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full \_\_\_\_\_ of the Kingdom awaits the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ and the end of this \_\_\_\_\_.

**Scripture References:**

Genesis 1:1; Isaiah 9:6-7; Jeremiah 23:5-6; Matthew 3:2; 4:8-10,23; 12:25-28; 13:1-52; 25:31-46; 26:29; Mark 1:14-15; 9:1; Luke 4:43; 8:1; 9:2; 12:31-32; 17:20-21; 23:42; John 3:3; 18:36; Acts 1:6-7; 17:22-31; Romans 5:17; 8:19; 1 Corinthians 15:24-28; Colossians 1:13; Hebrews 11:10,16; 12:28; 1 Peter 2:4-10; 4:13; Revelation 1:6,9; 5:10; 11:15; 21-22.

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**4.10. Last Things**

The consummation of all things includes the \_\_\_\_\_, physical, \_\_\_\_\_, personal and \_\_\_\_\_ return of Jesus Christ, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the dead and the translation of those \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ, the judgment of the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_, and the fulfillment of Christ's kingdom in the new \_\_\_\_\_ and the new \_\_\_\_\_. In the consummation, Satan, with his hosts and all those outside Christ, is finally \_\_\_\_\_ from the benevolent \_\_\_\_\_ of God, enduring eternal \_\_\_\_\_, but the righteous, in \_\_\_\_\_ bodies, will live and reign with Him forever, serving Him and giving Him unending \_\_\_\_\_ and glory. Then the eager \_\_\_\_\_ of creation will be \_\_\_\_\_, and the whole earth shall \_\_\_\_\_ the glory of God, who makes all things \_\_\_\_\_.

**Scripture References:**

Isaiah 2:4; 11:9; Matthew 16:27; 18:8-9; 19:28; 24:27,30,36,44; 25:31-46; 26:64; Mark 8:38; 9:43-48; Luke 12:40,48; 16:19-26; 17:22-37; 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11; 17:31; Romans 14:10; 1 Corinthians 4:5; 15:24-28,35-58; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Philippians 3:20-21; Colossians 1:5; 3:4; 1 Thessalonians 4:14-18; 5:1ff.; 2 Thessalonians 1:7ff.; 2; 1 Timothy 6:14; 2 Timothy 4:1,8; Titus 2:13; Hebrews 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff.; 1 John 2:28; 3:2; Jude 14; Revelation 1:18; 3:11; 20:1-22:13.

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**4.11. Evangelism and Missions**

It is the duty and privilege of every \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ and of every \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make \_\_\_\_\_ of all \_\_\_\_\_. The new birth of man's \_\_\_\_\_ by God's Holy Spirit means the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ for others. Missionary effort on the part of all rests thus upon a spiritual necessity of the \_\_\_\_\_ life, and is expressly and repeatedly commanded in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ. The Lord Jesus Christ has \_\_\_\_\_ the preaching of the \_\_\_\_\_ to all nations. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by verbal witness undergirded by a Christian \_\_\_\_\_, and by other methods in \_\_\_\_\_ with the gospel of Christ.



**Scripture References:**

Genesis 12:1-3; Exodus 19:5-6; Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 9:37-38; 10:5-15; 13:18-30, 37-43; 16:19; 22:9-10; 24:14; 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18; 24:46-53; John 14:11-12; 15:7-8,16; 17:15; 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40; 10:42-48; 13:2-3; Romans 10:13-15; Ephesians 3:1-11; 1 Thessalonians 1:8; 2 Timothy 4:5; Hebrews 2:1-3; 11:39-12:2; 1 Peter 2:4-10; Revelation 22:17.

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**4.12 Stewardship**

God is the source of all \_\_\_\_\_, temporal and \_\_\_\_\_; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ to the whole world, a holy \_\_\_\_\_ in the gospel, and a binding \_\_\_\_\_ in their \_\_\_\_\_. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as \_\_\_\_\_ to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should \_\_\_\_\_ of their means \_\_\_\_\_, regularly, \_\_\_\_\_, proportionately, and \_\_\_\_\_ for the advancement of the Redeemer's \_\_\_\_\_ on earth.

**Scripture References:**

Genesis 14:20; Leviticus 27:30-32; Deuteronomy 8:18; Malachi 3:8-12; Matthew 6:1-4,19-21; 19:21; 23:23; 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21,42; 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47; 5:1-11; 17:24-25; 20:35; Romans 6:6-22; 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 4:1-2; 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Corinthians 8-9; 12:15; Philippians 4:10-19; 1 Peter 1:18-19.

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**4. 13. The Christian and the Social Order**

All Christians are under \_\_\_\_\_ to seek to make the will of Christ \_\_\_\_\_ in our own lives and in human society. Means and methods used for the \_\_\_\_\_ of society and the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the individual by the saving \_\_\_\_\_ of God in Jesus Christ. In the spirit of Christ, Christians should \_\_\_\_\_ racism, every form of greed, \_\_\_\_\_, and vice, and all forms of sexual immorality, including \_\_\_\_\_, homosexuality, and pornography. The church should work to \_\_\_\_\_ for the orphaned, the needy, the abused, the aged, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the sick. The church should speak on behalf of the \_\_\_\_\_ and contend for the \_\_\_\_\_ of all human life from conception to natural death. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under the sway of the principles of \_\_\_\_\_, truth, and brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause, always being careful to act in the spirit of \_\_\_\_\_ without compromising their \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ and His truth.

**Scripture References:**

Exodus 20:3-17; Leviticus 6:2-5; Deuteronomy 10:12; 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zechariah 8:16; Matthew 5:13-16,43-48; 22:36-40; 25:35; Mark 1:29-34; 2:3ff.; 10:21; Luke 4:18-21; 10:27-37; 20:25; John 15:12; 17:15; Romans 12-14; 1Corinthians 5:9-10; 6:1-7; 7:20-24; 10:23-11:1; Galatians 3:26-28; Ephesians 6:5-9; Colossians 3:12-17; 1 Thessalonians 3:12; Philemon; James 1:27; 2:8.

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**4.14. Religious Liberty**

God alone is Lord of the \_\_\_\_\_, and He has left it free from the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be \_\_\_\_\_. The state owes to every church protection and full \_\_\_\_\_ in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no \_\_\_\_\_ group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal \_\_\_\_\_ thereto in all things not contrary to the \_\_\_\_\_ will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose \_\_\_\_\_ for religious \_\_\_\_\_ of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian \_\_\_\_\_, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and propagate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

**Scripture References:**

Genesis 1:27; 2:7; Matthew 6:6-7,24; 16:26; 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Romans 6:1-2; 13:1-7; Galatians 5:1,13; Philipians 3:20; 1 Timothy 2:1-2; James 4:12; 1 Peter 2:12-17; 3:11-17; 4:12-19.

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#### 4.15. The Family

God has ordained the \_\_\_\_\_ as the \_\_\_\_\_ institution of human society. It is composed of persons related to one another by \_\_\_\_\_, blood, or \_\_\_\_\_.

Marriage is the uniting of one \_\_\_\_\_ man and one \_\_\_\_\_ woman in covenant commitment for a \_\_\_\_\_. It is God's unique gift to reveal the union between \_\_\_\_\_ and His \_\_\_\_\_ and to provide for the man and the woman in marriage the framework for intimate \_\_\_\_\_, the channel of sexual expression according to \_\_\_\_\_ standards, and the means for \_\_\_\_\_ of the human race.

The husband and wife are of \_\_\_\_\_ worth before God, since both are created in God's \_\_\_\_\_. The marriage relationship models the way God relates to His people. A husband is to \_\_\_\_\_ his wife as \_\_\_\_\_ loved the church. He has the God-given responsibility to provide for, to \_\_\_\_\_, and to lead his family. A wife is to submit herself \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ leadership of her husband even as the church willingly submits to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ. She, being in the image of God as is her husband and thus equal to him, has the God-given responsibility to \_\_\_\_\_ her husband and to serve as his helper in managing the household and nurturing the next generation.

Children, from the moment of \_\_\_\_\_, are a blessing and heritage from the Lord. Parents are to \_\_\_\_\_ to their children God's pattern for \_\_\_\_\_. Parents are to teach their children \_\_\_\_\_ and moral \_\_\_\_\_ and to lead them, through \_\_\_\_\_ lifestyle example and loving \_\_\_\_\_, to make choices based on biblical truth. Children are to honor and obey their parents.

**Scripture References:**

Genesis 1:26-28; 2:15-25; 3:1-20; Exodus 20:12; Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Joshua 24:15; 1 Samuel 1:26-28; Psalms 51:5; 78:1-8; 127; 128; 139:13-16; Proverbs 1:8; 5:15-20; 6:20-22; 12:4; 13:24; 14:1; 17:6; 18:22; 22:6,15; 23:13-14; 24:3; 29:15,17; 31:10-31; Ecclesiastes 4:9-127; 9:9; Malachi 2:14-16; Matthew 5:31-32; 18:2-5; 19:3-9; Mark 10:6-12; Romans 1:18-32; 1 Corinthians 7:1-16; Ephesians 5:21-33; 6:1-4; Colossians 3:18-21; 1 Timothy 5:8,14; 2 Timothy 1:3-5; Titus 2:3-5; Hebrews 13:4; 1 Peter 3:1-7.

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