

Springs Baptist Academy

Doctrinal Statement

The Bible

The King James Bible is the basis for every doctrine we hold to. We believe it is the inspired, inerrant, infallible Word of God, and, as such, it is the foundation of teaching and preeminent advisor in our school. We believe both the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, contain no contradictions, and are factually accurate. **(II Timothy 3:16)**

Baptism

We believe baptism is an outward action showing an inward change. It is the convert's way of telling others what they believe about Christ's sacrificial offering for their salvation. **(Romans 6:3-6)** We believe baptism unites a believer with the local church and is to be done immediately after salvation. **(Acts 2:41)**

The Church

We believe a church is a local body of believers sent to the world to preach the Gospel. We believe that Jesus Christ is the One Who started the church, and He is the Head of the body. **(Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 1:22,23)** We believe every student should be a member of a local, Bible-believing church.

Creation

We believe God created the heavens and the earth in six literal days, as we know them today. We believe God created man in His image. We teach a literal creation viewpoint as defined by the Bible. **(Genesis 1:26)**

Rapture and Second Coming

We believe God has appointed a time when He will send Jesus to call His children to Heaven. We believe this event marks the beginning of the Tribulation on earth, and the Judgment Seat in Heaven. After which, Christ will return to earth to establish His millennial kingdom. **(Matthew 24:36, 42; Revelation 19:11-16)**

Man's Nature

We believe man fell in the Garden of Eden when Adam sinned and every person since has inherited a sinful nature that manifests itself in wrong thoughts, words, and deeds. **(Genesis 2:17; Romans 5:12)**

Heaven and Hell

We believe Heaven and Hell are literal places reserved for the saved and the unsaved, respectively. By saved we mean those who place their faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ, and by unsaved, we mean those who have not. **(Luke 16: Romans 10:9, 13; Revelation 21)**

The Trinity

We believe God is triune. He is three persons in one: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. **(Genesis 3:15; II Corinthians 5:21; John 14:16-17)** We also believe that Jesus, being born of a virgin, was sent as a sinless sacrifice for our sins and became the substitute for the penalty of our sins. **(Isaiah 7:14; Luke 1:27)**

The Resurrection

We believe in the bodily, physical resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead as recorded in the Gospels. We also believe He is the first fruits of the resurrection and every believer will partake in that resurrection.

Salvation

We believe that in order to go to Heaven, one must be saved. Salvation is nothing more than placing faith and trust in Jesus Christ and accepting His payment for sin. There is only one way to heaven, and that is through Jesus Christ alone. **(John 14:6)** We encourage all of our students to accept the Christ as their Saviour and to maintain a good testimony of that salvation. **(Romans 6:23)**

Separation

We believe a born again Christian is to be separated from the world and is to maintain a good testimony of the hope that is within. To this end, we encourage and expect not only good academics, but exemplary Christian character and testimony. **(II Corinthians 6:17)**

Soul-Winning

We believe every Christian is commanded by Christ to be witness for Him. **(Matthew 28:19-20)** We encourage every student to be a vibrant witness for Christ among those who do not know Him in their community and to act upon their faith by telling others about Jesus.