



Gracehaven Statement of Faith

- A. ***We believe*** the Bible is fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, entirely reliable, truthful and stands as the main authority over our lives.
- B. ***We believe*** that God exists eternally as 3 persons who share the Divine nature. The Bible refers to these persons as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- C. ***We believe*** that Jesus Christ, as the Son, is fully God and fully man. He lived a sinless life, died on the cross for all the sins of mankind, was resurrected bodily on the third day after His death, and later ascended into heaven. He is coming again as both Judge and King.
- D. ***We believe*** that salvation consists of reconciliation with God and is available to all humanity only through the atoning death of Jesus Christ. Salvation is received through God's grace as a gift whenever a person places their complete faith in the saving work of Jesus Christ. Salvation is incapable of being earned short of a perfect sinless life.
- E. ***We believe*** that all humans are created in the image of God, and as such have inherent dignity and worth. Because of the abuse of our free will though, all humans have become separated from God and live in alienation to God until they receive salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.
- F. ***We believe*** that there is an angelic being named Satan who rebelled against God in the past and who currently wars against the church and the spiritual vitality of all true Christians. We believe in the existence of spiritual warfare, but also believe that personality disorders exist without the involvement of Satan.



- G. **We believe** that all prostitution, whether “voluntary” or “involuntary” is in fact exploitation of those men and women who are involved. We believe that prostitution of young men and women under the age of 18 is an especially egregious form of sexual exploitation and certainly qualifies as human trafficking, and as such, should be abolished.
- H. **We believe** that those young men and women under age 18 who have been involved in prostitution are in fact *victims* of exploitation, and as such deserve rehabilitation from the mental and physical trauma of prostitution.
- I. **We believe** that the most complete form of rehabilitation for victims of prostitution must include spiritual rehabilitation in addition to emotional, physical, social, and educational rehabilitation.
- J. **We believe** that true spiritual rehabilitation begins when the person accepts Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and continues throughout the remainder of their life through the leading and empowering of the indwelling Holy Spirit.
- K. **We believe** that the best expression of Jesus Christ to those who do not know Him is to hear the story of Jesus in the context of genuine love and compassion tangibly shown through the meeting of their needs.
- L. **We believe** that each person has the right to accept or deny the story of Jesus, and that our obligation to meet their needs is not contingent upon their decision.
- M. **We believe** that the only proper expression of sexuality is what is outlined in Scripture, i.e. sexuality that is confined to a marriage between a man and a woman.