THE SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION OF JESUS CHRIST CONSIST OF HIS SALVATION (BLOOD), HOLY GHOST/SPIRIT (FIRE), AND WATER (BAPTISM)

SALVATION (BLOOD)

What is Truth?

The Bible has something to say about truth:

- The Bible Is Truth. Jesus said in a prayer to the Heavenly Father, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy WORD is truth" (John 17:17). It does not matter what anyone says or believes; The Bible Is Truth
- The Gospel Is Truth. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is Truth. The Bible says, "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:" (1Corinthians 15:3-4).

THE WHOLE PURPOSE FOR THE DEATH, BURIAL, AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST WAS TO SAVE MAN FROM HIS SINS.

- Man's Sin Problem Is Truth. The truth is that all men are sinners, and your sin will keep you from heaven. Romans 3:23 tells us that, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" As well, Revelation 21:8 says, "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."
- God's Love Is Truth. God loves you so much that He paid the price for your sins. John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Also, Romans 5:8 declares, "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."
- Salvation From Sin Is Truth. You can be saved from your sins. If you believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, God will forgive your sins. Acts 13:38-39: makes known that "Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: and by him all that believe are justified

from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses." Further, **Romans 10:9-10**: reveals this: "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

So, Now What?

- 1. Will you **repent** (turn from) of your sin and **believe** on the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ as the truth?
- 2. Pray now and confess your sin to God, and ask Him to save you from your sin.

A SINNER'S PRAYER

I now receive the LORD Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour.

I trust Him for deliverance from the penalty of sin.

By His help, I intend to live for Him and confess Him before others as my LORD.

LORD, be merciful to me a sinner, hear my prayer, forgive my sin; and save my soul, in Jesus Name, Amen.

- 3. Entrust your Soul to the LORD Jesus Christ.
- **4**. After you have prayed and asked Jesus Christ to save you, please contact us, so that we may help you grow in your new faith and walk with Jesus Christ by the fellowshipping of His Holy Word. Your life's journey has just begun!
- "And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and **fellowship**, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." **Acts 2:42**
- "God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the **fellowship** of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord." **1 Corinthians 1:9**

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what **fellowship** hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" **2 Corinthians 6:14**

"Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the **fellowship** of the ministering to the saints." **2 Corinthian 8:4**

"If we say that we have **fellowship** with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

1.John 1:6-7

Know now, that the Angels In Heaven are Rejoicing over Your Salvation!

"Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." **Luke 15:10**

HOLY GHOST/SPIRIT (FIRE)

What is the Holy Ghost/Spirit?

The Holy Ghost/Spirit is the third Person of the Holy Trinity, is of one Nature with the Father and the Son, yet distinct from them in His Ministry.

The Ministry of the Holy Ghost was pictured in the Mosaic Tabernacle by the Fire that fell to consume the sacrifice after the Priests had offered it upon the Brazen Altar. It took the Fire to consume the sacrifice and change it into a sweet-smelling savour in God's Nostrils. In fact, the entire ministry of the Tabernacle was dependent upon fresh Fire, daily, from off the Brazen Altar.

Seek the LORD to receive His Precious Holy Ghost/Spirit.

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." **Acts 2:1-4**

WATER (BAPTISM)

Water Baptism - To baptize means to dip, to immerse.

When we are talking about **Water Baptism**, we are talking about being dipped in water, being immersed in water.

Baptism Is A Command Of God – Acts 2:37-38 "Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

Baptism Is A Commission Of The Church – Matthew 28:19-20: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

Baptism Is A Picture Of The Gospel Of Jesus Christ – Romans 6:4-5:

"Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:"

Being immersed in water pictures the death and burial of Jesus Christ. (that is why sprinkling or pouring would never be proper baptism — **Bible** Baptism always pictures a burial).

When the person being baptized is brought back up out of the water, it pictures the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The gospel, according to **1Corinthians 15:1-4**, is the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:" 1Corinthians 15:1-4

Who Should Be Baptized?

There is **Only One Proper** candidate for Bible Baptism.

It is a person who has Already Received Jesus Christ into their heart by faith.

Acts 2:41: "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls."

Notice they **first** received his word, **then** were baptized.

Acts 8:36-38: "And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him." Notice that Philip would not baptize the eunuch until that he had believed on the Lord Jesus Christ. Then, he was baptized.

Nowhere in the Bible do you find babies or small children being baptized.

The reason is, they are too young to know the difference between good and bad and that they need Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

If you have received Jesus Christ as your Saviour, then you need to be Baptized.

If you were baptized before you were saved, then it was not Bible Baptism. Bible Baptism Always Follows Salvation.

What Does Baptism Do?

- It shows we have **confessed our sinful condition to God Matthew 3:6**: "And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins."
- It **fulfills all righteousness Matthew 3:13-15**: "Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him."

Righteousness is the condition of being pleasing or acceptable unto God. So, baptism is an act of faith, or pleasing God. **Hebrews 11:6**: "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

• It shows we have received the counsel of God and have not rejected it – Luke 7:29-30: "And all the people that heard him, and the publicans, justified God,

being baptized with the baptism of John. But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being not baptized of him."

- It shows that we have **gladly received the Word Of God Acts 2:41**: "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls."
- It **adds us to the church Acts 2:41**: "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls."
- It shows we **agree with the preacher**: **Acts 8:12**: "But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women."
- It shows we have **believed with all our heart Acts 8:36-38**: "And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him."
- It shows we have **opened our heart to the Lord Acts 16:14-15**: "And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul. And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide there. And she constrained us."
- It shows we have **put on Christ Galatians 3:27**: "For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." A policeman is identified and recognized by his uniform. In the same sense, we are identified and recognized as Christ's when we are baptized. In a sense, baptism puts on the uniform of Christianity. The uniform does not make the policeman a policeman, it only identifies him as such. Baptism does not make us a Christian; it only identifies us as such.
- It pictures the **death**, **burial** and **resurrection** of Jesus Christ **Romans 6:3-5**: "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also

should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:" Remember, a picture is not the real thing. It is only a likeness of the real thing.

How Is Baptism Conducted At Christ Gospel Church?

1. It is scheduled and usually take place at the end of a church service and/or after counselling and teaching of the Word of God about **Salvation** (**Blood**), **Holy Ghost/Spirit** (**Fire**), and **Baptism** (**Water**) the Spiritual Foundation of our LORD Jesus Christ.

NEXT STEP TO TAKE:

- Are you interested in having a Bible Study?
- Would you like to meet in a group setting or zoom meeting to read, learn, and discuss the Word of God?
- Would you like to grow spiritually?
- Would you like to have a closer, more personal relationship with our Creator?
- If you have answered yes to any of these questions and would like to set up a personal and/or group Bible Study in a conveniently located place, Don't wait, contact us, and let's share the Good News together, Amen.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALWAYS.

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