

# Laurie Cole & Priority Ministries Statement of Faith



#### The Bible

We believe the Bible, both the Old and New Testaments, is God's Word and is inspired and inerrant in its original writings. We believe the teaching of the Bible is the supreme and final authority for faith and life.

#### The Godhead

We believe the Godhead eternally exists in three divine Persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. They are One in deity, unity and essence, yet distinct in Their work and activity.

#### Jesus Christ

We believe Jesus Christ is the perfect, sinless, virgin-born Son of God. He is both fully God and fully man. Through His shed blood and death on the cross, He made possible the atonement for our sins. We believe He was literally and bodily raised from the dead and ascended into heaven where He is now seated at the right-hand of God, interceding for us. We believe He will one day visibly and personally return to earth in power, judgment and great glory.

## The Holy Spirit

We believe the Holy Spirit is the divine Third Person in the Godhead. He convicts men of sin, converts, baptizes, indwells, guides and empowers believers to walk in obedience to God. We believe the Holy Spirit also is the divine illuminator and teacher of God's Word.

#### Man

We believe man was created by God innocent and without sin. However, as a result of Adam's sin, sin entered the world and corrupted all men. Man's only hope for forgiveness and redemption of sin is through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ. All men are sinners. Thus, all men need redemption.

### Salvation

We believe salvation is the gracious, free gift of God. Salvation cannot be attained by our works but is received by repenting of our sin and placing our faith in Jesus Christ. At salvation we are regenerated and sealed by the Holy Spirit, we become the children of God, and we are promised eternal life with Christ.