



Biblical Foundations Statement

California Preparatory College provides a Christ-centered environment that focuses on rigorous academics, life skills and spiritual development while preparing students for continued education, employment of their choice and service to humanity.

1. We believe that the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Scripture are the inspired Word of God.

2 Tim. 3:15; 2 Sam. 23:2; Micah 3:8; Heb. 1:1-2; 2 Peter 1:21; Prov. 3:5-6; John 17:17; 1 Thess. 2:13
2. We believe in the Trinitarian nature of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Matt. 28:19; John 15:26; 1 Peter 1:2; 2 Cor. 13:14; Deut. 6:4; 1 Thess. 2:13
3. We believe that God the Eternal Father is the creator, source, sustainer and Sovereign of all creation.

1 Cor. 8:6; Isa. 41:9-10; Mal. 2:10; Ps. 146:7-9; Ex. 34:6-7; Rom. 1:20; 6:23; Gen. 1:1; Rev. 4:11; John 14:9
4. We believe that God the Eternal Son became incarnate in Jesus Christ.

John 1:1-4; Col. 1:16-17; Heb. 13:8; Phil. 2:7-8; Rom.6:23; 2 Cor. 5:17-19; Heb. 8:1
5. We believe that God the Eternal Spirit was active with the Father and Son in creation, incarnation and redemption.

1Cor. 2:10-11; Rom. 8:11; Matt. 28:19; 1 Cor. 12:4-6; Titus 3:5-6; Gen. 1:1-2; Luke 1:35; 4:18; Acts 10:38
6. We believe that God is the creator of all things and has revealed in Scripture the authentic account of His creative activity.

Gen. 1-2; Ps. 3:6; Ps. 33:9; Heb. 11:3; John 1:1-3; Isa. 44:21-28; Ex. 20:8-11
7. We believe that man and woman were made in the image of God with individuality, the power and freedom to think and do.

Gen. 1:26; Gen. 2:7-9; 1 Thess. 5:23; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:5-6; Heb. 2:7; Rom. 5:12-17; 2 Cor. 5:19-20; 1 John 4:7-8, 11, 20
8. We believe that all humanity is now involved in a great controversy between Christ and Satan regarding the character of God, His law and His sovereignty over the universe.

John 12:31; 16:11; Rev. 12:4-9; Isa. 14:12-14; Eze. 28:12-17; 1 Cor. 4:9; Rom. 1:19-32; Heb. 1:14

9. We believe in Christ's life of perfect obedience to God's will, His suffering, death and resurrection. God provided the only means of atonement for human sin, so that those who by faith accept this atonement may have eternal life.

John 3:16; Isa. 55:7; Isa. 45:22; Eph. 2:7-8; Eph. 1:7; 2 Cor. 5:19; Rom. 5:11; Heb. 2:9; Rom. 8:3-4; 1 Pet. 2:21-22; 1 Cor. 15:14-15, 19-21; Col. 2:15; Phil. 2:6-11

10. We believe that God in His infinite love and mercy developed a plan for salvation through Christ who knew no sin to be sin for us so that in Him we might be made righteous.

Eph. 5:25-27; John 3:3-5; Acts 4:12; John 14:6; 2 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 3:24; Phil. 3:8-9; Eph. 3:16-17; Gal. 1:4; 4:4-7; Titus 3:3-7; Rom. 8:14-17

11. We believe that the believer is called to grow into the likeness of Christ's character, communing with Him daily in prayer, feeding and meditating on His word, worshiping together and participating in the mission of the church.

Col. 1:13-14; Luke 10:19-20; Eph. 6:12-18; 1 Thess. 5:23; Phil. 3:7-14; Gal. 5:22-23; 2 Pet. 2:9; 3:18; 2 Cor. 3:17-18; Heb. 10:25; 1 John 4:4; Rom. 8:38-39

12. We believe that the church is a community of believers who confess Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.

Matt. 16:18; 1 Cor. 10:32; 12:28; Eph. 1:20-22; Matt. 18:17-18; Eph. 2:16-22; Acts 7:38; Col. 1:17-18

13. We believe the universal church is composed of all who truly believe in Christ.

Eph. 4:13; John 15:8; Heb. 4:2; Rev. 12:17; 14:6-12; 2 Pet. 3:10-14

14. We believe that the church is one body with many members, called from every nation, kindred, tongue and people.

1 Cor. 12:13; Eph. 4:3; Rom. 6:3-6; 1 Cor. 12:4-6; Rom. 15:5-6; 1 Cor. 1:10; John 17:20-23; Col. 3:10-15

15. We believe that through baptism we confess our faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and testify of our death to sin and of our purpose to walk in the newness of life.

Matt. 3:13-17; 28:18-20; Mark 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:20-21; Acts 2:38; Rom. 6:3-4; Eph. 4:5; Col. 2:12-13; Acts 16:30-33

16. We believe that the Lord's Supper is a participation in the emblems of the body and the blood of Jesus Christ and is an expression of faith in Him, our Lord and Savior.

Luke 22:15-16; John 13:14-17; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; 11:24-28; Matt. 26:29; Rev. 3:20; John 6:48-63

17. We believe that God bestows upon all members of His church in every age spiritual gifts which each member is to employ in loving ministry for the common good of the church and humanity.

1 Cor. 12:4-31; Rom. 11:36-12:2; Eph. 4:1-16; Acts 6:1-7; 1 Tim. 3:1-13

18. We believe that one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit is prophecy.

2 Pet. 1:21; Amos 3:7; 1 Cor. 14:1-4; Joel 2:28-31; 2 Chron. 20:20; Acts 2:14-21; Heb. 1:1-3

19. We believe that the great principles of God's Law are embodied in the Ten Commandments and exemplified in the life of Christ.

Ex. 20:3-17; Ps. 19:7-8; Rom. 7:12; Eccl. 12:13; Matt. 19:17; 5:18; Rom. 3:19-20; James 1:23-25; John 14:15; 1 Jn. 2:3

20. We believe that the Creator God, after the six days of creation rested on the seventh day and instituted the Sabbath for all people as a memorial of creation.

Gen. 2:2-3; Ex. 20:8-11; Deut. 5:15; Eze. 20:12; Mark 2:27-28; Luke 4:16; Heb. 4:10; Matt. 5:17-20; 12:12

21. We believe that we are God's stewards and entrusted by Him with time and opportunities, abilities and possessions and the blessings of the earth and its resources.

James 1:7; Deut. 8:18; Lev. 27:30-32; Mal. 3:10; Matt. 10:8; 23:23; 25:34-40; Luke 12:48; Rev. 11:18; 1 Tim. 6:18-19

22. We believe we are called to be Godly people who think, feel and act in harmony with the principles of God's kingdom.

Rom. 12:1-2; John 17:15-16; Gal. 5:4-13; 1 Cor. 6:19; 10:31-33; Phil. 4-8; 1 Pet. 3:3; 1 Tim. 2:9-10; 1 John 2:6

23. We believe that marriage was divinely established in Eden and affirmed to be a lifelong union of a man and a woman in loving companionship.

Gen. 1:26-27; 2:18-24; Eph. 5:21-33; Matt. 5:27-28; 19:6; 2 Cor. 6:14-16; Heb. 13:4; Ex. 20:14;

24. We believe there is a sanctuary in heaven, the true tabernacle which the Lord setup. Christ ministers on our behalf making available to believers the benefits of His atoning sacrifice offered once and for all on the cross.

Ex. 25:8; Heb. 8:1-2; 9:22-24; 1 Cor. 15:3; Rom. 3:24-25; 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 4:14-16; 7:25; Matt. 10:32

25. We believe the second coming of Christ is the blessed hope of the church and the grand climax of the gospel. The Savior's coming will be literal, personal, visible and worldwide.

John 14:1-3; Jude 14-15; Heb. 9:26-28; Matt. 24:23-24, 30; Acts 1:11; Luke 24:36-43; Rev. 1:7; 1 Thess. 4:16; Rev. 19:11-16; 1 Thess. 5:2-3; 1 Cor. 15:52-53

26. We believe that the wages of sin is death, but God, who is alone immortal, will grant eternal life to His redeemed.

1 Tim. 1:16-17; James 4:14; Rom. 6:23; 2 Tim. 1:10; 1 Cor. 15:22, 42-54; John 3:16; Eph. 2:8-10; 1 John 5:11-13

27. We believe that the millennium is a thousand-year reign of Christ with His saints between the first and second resurrections.

Rev. 20:15; 19:11-21; 1 Thess. 4:17; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6; John 5:28-29; 2 Peter 3:10-14

28. We believe in the new earth in which righteousness dwells, God will provide an eternal home for the redeemed and the perfect environment for everlasting life, joy and learning in His presence.

Mat. 5:12; 22:29-30; 2 Peter 3:6-13; Rev. 21:1-18; John 14:2; 1 John 4:8

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