

Towle Institute's Statement of Faith:

What we believe about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: God is the Creator and Ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed in three entities: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God. (Genesis 1:1,26,27; 3:22; Psalm 90:2; Matthew 28:19; 1 Peter 1:2; 11 Corinthians 13:14)

What we believe about the Bible: The Bible is God's word to all people. It was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and daily living. Because it is inspired by God, it is truth without any mixture of error. (II Timothy 3:16; II Peter 1:20,21; II Timothy 1:13; Psalm 119:105,160, 12:6; Proverbs 30:5)

What we believe about mankind: We are made in the spiritual image of God, to be like Him in character. We are the supreme object of God's creation, male or female. These two specific genders reflect the image and nature of God and attempting to deviate from one's biological gender is not in accordance with scripture. Although we have tremendous potential for good, we are marred by an attitude of disobedience toward God called sin. This attitude separates us from God. (Genesis 1:26,27; Psalm 8:3-6; Isaiah 53:6a; Romans 3:23; Isaiah 59:1,2)

What we believe about marriage and sexuality: The word "marriage" has only one meaning, which is to unite one man and one woman in a single and exclusive union. We also believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other. Deviation from this is sinful and offensive to God as expressed in the Bible. (Genesis 2:18-25; Matthew 19:4-5; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Matthew 15:18-20; Leviticus 18:6-30)

What we believe about eternity: We were created to exist forever and will either exist eternally separated from God by sin, or in union with God through forgiveness and salvation. To be eternally separated from God is Hell. To be eternally in union with Him is eternal life. Heaven or Hell is the place we will be after we die. (John 3:16; John 2:25; John 5:11-13; Romans 6:23; Revelation 20:15; 1 John 5:11-12; Matthew 25:31-46)

What we believe about salvation: God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, and seek the Lord's mercy and forgiveness through salvation in Jesus Christ. Because God gives us eternal life through Jesus Christ, the believer is secure in the salvation for eternity. We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or good works. Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God's offer of forgiveness can we be saved from sin's penalty. Eternal life begins the moment we receive Jesus Christ into our lives by faith. (Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:8,9; John 14:6, 1:12; Titus 3:5; Galatians 3:26; Romans 5:1)

Towle Institute's Statement of Final Authority:

The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible is the final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind. It is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of Towle Institute's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, the Administrative Board is Towle Institute's final interpretive authority.