

Statement of Faith

The mission of The Field's Edge is to promote human dignity by cultivating home for the homeless and empowering a lifestyle of service for the glory of Christ.

- 1. We believe that the 66 books of the Bible are the inerrant and infallible word of God. The Bible is the supreme and final authority in testing claims about what is true and right.
 - 2 Timothy 3:15-17, 1 John 5:9, Galatians 1:9, Psalm 19:7, Psalm 119:130
- 2. We believe in one holy, living, and sovereign God existing in three co-equal and co-eternal persons: The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit. *Deuteronomy 6:4, Romans 11:36, Matthew 28:19*
- 3. We believe that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. *Romans 3:23*
- 4. We believe that in His mercy, God sent His eternal and sinless Son Jesus to be the all-sufficient sacrifice for sin, that he was crucified, died, was buried, and rose from the dead.
 - 1 Peter 1:19-20, Hebrews 1:2, Romans 8:3, Colossians 1:19, Acts 2:36, Galatians 3:13, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Mark 16:19, Romans 3:25-26
- 5. We believe that through Christ's suffering and death, He obtained forgiveness of sins and perfect righteousness for all who repent and believe in Him. We believe that justification is by faith alone apart from works. *Ephesians 1:7, Romans 3:28, John 1:12, James 2:17, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Romans 3:26, Titus 3:3-7, Ephesians 2:8-9, Hebrews 12:2, Romans 6:23*
- 6. We believe that good works are the fruits and evidences of a true and saving faith.
 - James 2:17, 1 Peter 2:11, Romans 6:14, 1 John 3:6
- 7. We believe that the commission to make disciples of all nations is the core of our ministry.

Matthew 28:18-20, Romans 10:14-15

Statement on the Sanctity of Human Life

We believe that all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. We believe that life begins at Human life is of inestimable worth in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically or mentally challenged, the homeless and every other stage or condition from conception through natural death. We are therefore called to defend, protect, and value all human life. (Ps 139.)

Statement on Marriage, Gender, and Sexuality

We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God. (Gen 1:26-27.) Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.

We believe that the term "marriage" has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture. (Gen 2:18-25.) We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other. (1 Cor 6:18; 7:2-5; Heb 13:4.) We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman.

We believe that any form of sexual immorality (including adultery, fornication, homosexual behavior, bisexual conduct, bestiality, incest, and use of pornography) is sinful and offensive to God. (Matt 15:18-20; 1 Cor 6:9-10.)

Statement on Unity, Forgiveness, and Dignity

We believe that in order to preserve the function and integrity of The Field's Edge as a part of the local Body of Christ, and to provide a biblical role model to The Field's Edge members and the community, it is imperative that all persons employed by The Field's Edge in any capacity, members of the Board of Directors, and members of the Missional Community agree to and abide by this Statement of Faith. (Matt 5:16; Phil 2:14-16; 1 Thess 5:22.)

We believe that God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. (Acts 3:19-21; Rom 10:9-10; 1 Cor 6:9-11.)

We believe that every person must be afforded compassion, love, kindness, respect, and dignity. (Mark 12:28-31; Luke 6:31.) Hateful and harassing behavior or attitudes directed toward any individual are to be repudiated and are not in accord with Scripture nor the doctrines of The Field's Edge.

Statement of Final Authority on Matters of Faith and Conduct

This statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of The Field's Edge's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our executive committee is The Field's Edge's final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.