

# Liberti Harrisburg Institute

Christian Belief: Statement of Faith

### **Description**

This 8-week study on Liberti Church's Statement of Faith will equip students with a deeper understanding of the core doctrines of the Christian faith and cultivate an appreciation of how those biblical truths reveal the nature and character of God, highlight the beauty of the gospel message, lead to rich and awe-filled worship, and transform our lives as disciples of Jesus.

### **Objectives**

After completing this class, students will:

- Understand the doctrines affirmed in Liberti Church's Statement of Faith;
- Understand the biblical basis for each point of the Statement of Faith; and
- Be able to explain, in their own words, what we believe at Liberti Church.

#### **Study Material**

Liberti Church's Statement of Faith has been adopted from the Confessional Statement contained in The Gospel Coalition's (TGC's) Foundation Documents.<sup>1</sup> This class will walk through that Statement and will consider the biblical basis for each of its points.

Teaching and discussion will take place weekly in a group setting so that we can learn and encourage one another in community and will focus on the biblical truths, what they reveal about the nature and character of God, their immediate relevance to our lives as disciples, and their importance to the Great Commission to which we have been called.

Outside reading (approx. 30 pages) and personal reflection will be required before each session and students should come prepared with questions they might have about that week's focus. Other assignments to help facilitate both understanding and personal growth may be included.

#### Resources

The following primary resources will be used during the course:

- The Bible (we'll be using the English Standard Version, ESV). Electronic copies are available at:
  - www.ESV.org;
  - o www.biblegateway.com;
  - o the YouVersion Bible App, www.youversion.com
- The Gospel Coalition (TGC) Doctrinal Statement, available <u>here</u>.
- TGC Resource Booklets, available <a href="here">here</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These Foundation Documents were adopted by the Council of The Gospel Coalition on May 22, 2007, and revised on April 12, 2011. Used by permission of The Gospel Coalition (thegospelcoalition.org), Austin, TX 78717.

# Schedule

The class will meet at Liberti Church on Monday evenings, from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Assignments for each week will be outlined during the class; for the first week, assignments will be given with at least a 10-day notice to all those enrolled by that point.

Week	Date	Topic of Study
1	Sept. 19	The Triune God
2	Sept. 26	Revelation
3	Oct. 3	Creation of Humanity & The Fall
4	Oct. 10	The Plan of God & The Gospel
5	Oct. 17	The Redemption of Christ, The Justification of Sinners, & The Baptism and the Lord's Supper
6	Oct. 24	The Power of the Holy Spirit
7	Nov. 7	The Kingdom of God & God's New People
8	Nov. 14	The Restoration of All Things