

Gloucester Point Baptist Church Statement of Faith*

As Baptists, it has often been said that we have no creed but the Bible. This is true, for Baptists have preferred to have confessions of what we believe dating back to 1644. The focus of a creed is on whom we believe. Since we hold the Bible as our creed, it is important to know what we confess to as a community of believers. Each week we highlight a different aspect of our statement of faith/confession, with a brief, simplified explanation at the bottom.

XIII. STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a holy trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

[Genesis 14:20](#); [Leviticus 27:30-32](#); [Deuteronomy 8:18](#); [Malachi 3:8-12](#); [Matthew 6:1-4,19-21; 19:21; 23:23; 25:14-29](#); [Luke 12:16-21,42; 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47; 5:1-11; 17:24-25; 20:35](#); [Romans 6:6-22; 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 4:1-2; 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Corinthians 8-9; 12:15](#); [Philippians 4:10-19](#); [1 Peter 1:18-19](#).

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