

## **GRANITE BAPTIST SCHOOL DOCTRINAL STATEMENT**

Granite Baptist School maintains the same doctrinal position as set forth in the constitution of Granite Baptist Church. The following points briefly describe our doctrinal position.

**OF THE SCRIPTURES:** We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired of God, and inerrant in the original writings, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life.

**OF GOD:** We believe that there is one God, eternally existing in three persons -Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**OF SON:** We believe in the absolute deity of the Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, existing from all eternity. In coming to earth, He was miraculously begotten of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man.

**OF HOLY SPIRIT:** We believe that the Holy Spirit is a divine person, equal with God the Father and God the Son. He is the Agent of the new birth, and that He indwells every true child of God.

**OF DEVIL / SATAN:** We believe in the distinct personality of Satan, that he is the unholy god of this age, and destined to eternal judgement in the lake of fire and brimstone.

**OF CREATION:** We believe that God created the heavens and the earth, including all life, each after its own kind, by direct act and not by the process of evolution.

**OF FALL OF MAN:** We believe that man was created in the image of God. He willingly sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death, plunging the whole race into condemnation and death. All mankind is born in sin and totally depraved.

**OF ATONEMENT FOR SIN:** We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures as a substitutionary sacrifice, and that all who believe in Him are justified on the grounds of His shed blood.

**OF RESURRECTED CHRIST:** We believe in the literal, physical, bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the tomb. In His ascension into heaven, He is the believer's High Priest and Advocate.

**OF FAITH AND SALVATION:** We believe that man is totally unable to save himself and must be born again. The new birth is instantaneous and the one dead in trespasses and sins is made a partaker of the divine nature receives eternal life, the free gift of God wholly of grace and not of man's works.

**OF SECURITY OF BELIEVER:** We believe that all who are truly born again are eternally secure, being kept by God the Father for Jesus Christ.

**OF TONGUES AND HEALING:** We believe that the gifts of tongues and healing were temporary sign gifts given to unbelieving Israel as well as an authentication of the messenger and the message during writing and completion of the New Testament. These gifts are no longer for today.

**OF HEAVEN AND HELL:** We believe in a literal place of eternal blessedness called heaven to which the righteous (saved) go. We believe in a literal place of conscious eternal punishment called hell to which the wicked (unsaved) go.

**OF RETURN OF CHRIST:** We believe in the bodily, personal imminent. Pretribulational, and premillennial return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**OF SEPARATION:** We believe that every Christian should be experientially separated from the world unto God; that believers are in the world but not of it; that the Christian is not to love the world nor to be conformed to it.