

# Christianity Core Beliefs Chart

Christian Tenet	Explanation	Related Scriptures	Notes
<b>God</b>	<p><b>We believe</b> in a supreme being who exist in eternity, before time and the world began.</p> <p>Some of the characteristics or attributes of God can be found in scripture:</p> <p><b>Creator</b>  <b>Sovereign</b>  <b>Omnipresent</b>  <b>Omnipotent</b>  <b>Omniscient</b>  <b>Eternal</b>  <b>Holy</b>  <b>Love</b></p>	<p><b>Genesis 1:1; Colossians 1:16; Isaiah 44:24</b></p> <p><b>1 Chron. 29:11-12; Isaiah 46:9-10; Psalms 103:19</b></p> <p><b>Proverbs 15:3; Psalms 139:7-10; Ephesians 4:6</b></p> <p><b>1 Peter 1:5; Romans 1:20; 2 Samuel 22:33; 2 Chronicles 20:6</b></p> <p><b>Psalms 147:5; 1 John 3:20; Isaiah 40:13-14; Romans 11:33</b></p> <p><b>Psalms 90:2; Deuteronomy 33:27; Job 36:26; Psalms 102:12)</b></p> <p><b>Isaiah 6:3; Psalms 71:22; Revelation 15:4; Psalms 99:5</b>  <b>1 John 4:7-8; John 3:16; Jeremiah 31:3</b></p>	<p>The Creator of all things.</p> <p>Sovereign God. He rules over all of creation and every created thing, both natural and spiritual.</p> <p>Omnipresent. God is Ever-Present in all things, everywhere.</p> <p>Omnipotent. God is All-Powerful</p> <p>Omniscient. God is All-Knowing</p> <p>Eternal God.</p> <p>Holy. God is perfectly righteous in all his ways. (His words or his actions)</p> <p>Love. God is love; and motivated by love in all He says and does</p>

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<b>Trinity</b>	<b>We believe</b> in the Trinity. God in three persons-the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.	<b>John 10:30; Genesis 1:26; John 1:1; John 14:9-11; John 17:11; 2 Cor. 13:14; 1 John 5:7-8</b>	Three persons who are equally God. Each having a different personality and different functions, but all working together with one mind and one purpose.
<b>Creation</b>	<b>We believe</b> that Creation is an act of the divine will of God. It is by the creative power of God that the heavens and the earth exist. God, by the divine power of his word, created everything and everyone, and upholds all things by the same power.	<b>Ephesians 2:3-11; Colossians 1:16-17; Genesis 1:1-31; Hebrews 11:3; Isaiah 43:7</b>	The Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit were actively involved in work of creation. Genesis 1: 1-2
<b>Jesus Christ- the Son of God: Fully Human and Fully Divine</b>	<b>We believe</b> that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, fully human and fully divine.	<b>Hebrews 1:1-5; Philippians 2:6-11; John 8:57-58; John 3:13; John 6:32-33; and Hebrews 2:14</b>	<p>Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He is the physical expression of God; and through Him God fulfills his divine plan to save and redeem mankind.</p> <p><b>He was Fully Divine.</b> The word “<b>pre-incarnate</b>” means that he existed before his physical birth in eternity with God. In John 8:58, Jesus Christ speaks of his existence with God in eternity before he was given a physical body. He speaks of his deity- his divine nature. He was fully divine for He came from the heavenly Father.</p> <p><b>He was Fully Human.</b> Jesus Christ was also fully human. He became flesh and blood, that He might be like us. As a man he suffered and died for our sins on the cross that we might live.</p>

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<b>Virgin Birth</b>	<p><b>We believe</b> in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ.</p> <p><b>Virgin Birth</b> refers to the supernatural birth of Jesus Christ, where He is born of the virgin Mary, conceived by the Holy Spirit.</p>	<p><b>Isaiah 7: 13-14</b>  <b>“And he said, hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore, the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.”</b></p>	<p>God would work through a woman (a virgin) and produce a holy seed through the conception of the Holy Spirit to redeem man from his sin.</p> <p>This fulfills the prophetic message in Genesis 3:15, where God himself declares that the seed of the woman shall break or destroy the seed of Satan.</p> <p>Because Jesus Christ was conceived by the Holy Spirit (and not man), he was born without the sin nature.</p> <p>(Please see the <a href="#">Fall of Man</a>)</p>
<b>The Fall of Man</b>	<p><b>We believe</b> the Fall of man is the root of sin and the sin nature.</p> <p>This speaks to man’s fall into sin as they disobeyed God in the Garden of Eden. When man disobeyed God, sin came into the world it corrupted the (nature of) man, which was formed in the likeness of God. (See Gen. 1:26-28)</p>	<p><b>Romans 5:14</b>  <b>“Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam’s transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.</b></p> <p>Genesis 3:1-31; Romans 5:12-21</p>	<p>In Romans 5:14, we see that the sin of Adam affected all of mankind.</p> <p>Because of Adam’s sin every man, woman, boy, and girl that was born carried the sin nature on the inside of him. (Psalms 51:5)</p> <p>Sin was transferred through the blood line by Adam. Man would be bound to his slave nature until Jesus Christ. (Romans 5:15-19)</p>
<b>Salvation &amp; Redemption</b>	<p><b>We believe</b> that the salvation of man can only be accomplished through the atoning death of Jesus Christ.</p>	<p>Romans 3:21-24;  Romans 6:15-23;  Ephesians 2:8-9; John 3:16-18; Acts 16: 30-33;</p>	<p><b>Salvation:</b> deliverance from the power and effects of sin.  <b>Redemption:</b> the payment or ransom paid to atone for the sins of man.</p>

		2 Peter 3:9; Hebrews 9:28; Acts 2:38; Romans 10:8-13	<p><b>Conditions of Salvation:</b> In Exodus 12, God institutes the Passover Meal, where a lamb without spot and blemish is killed and his blood is placed upon the houses of the children of Israel to prevent death during the final judgement of God upon Egypt. If the children of Israel applied the blood, they would be saved.</p> <p>In the same way, those who believe in and accept the blood sacrifice of Jesus Christ, can be saved from sin and death now.</p> <p><b>Salvation comes by grace, through faith; not according to our works.</b></p> <p><b>Through our faith and (public) confession salvation is manifested.</b></p> <p>We must believe in Jesus Christ and confess him as our Lord and Savior. Through our faith and confession, salvation is manifested.</p>
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<b>The Physical Resurrection of Christ</b>	<b>We believe</b> in the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ. Scripture teaches us that Jesus died, was buried, and was resurrected three days later by the power of God the Father.	1 Cor. 15:1-19; Romans 4:25; 6:4-5; Romans 8:11; 1 Cor. 6:14; Acts 2:24-32; Acts 10:39-40; Acts 13:30-37	The belief of the physical resurrection is central to the Christian faith. Without the resurrection, we remain in our sins and therefore cannot inherit eternal life.
<b>Eternal Life: Heaven or Hell</b>	<b>We believe</b> that those who are in Christ shall forever be with Him in eternal life in peace and complete righteousness.	Revelation 20:10; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; Matthew 25:41-46; Mark 9:47-48; John 5:24-29; Daniel 12:1-2	The word “eternal” is used to express the state of life we will live in after the physical life (body) dies. Scriptures teaches two states of eternal being: a)

			one of eternal reward in heaven; b) one of eternal damnation in hell.
<b>The Regeneration of the Holy Spirit</b>	<b>We believe</b> each new convert, in accordance with his faith, is born again through the Spirit. The transformation of the life of the believer is accomplished through the sanctifying work of the person of the Holy Spirit.	John 3:1-6; Ezekiel 36:25-28; Acts 2:37-39; John 14:26; John 16:8-15; 2nd Peter 1:1-4; Ephesians 4:17-24	Romans 8:29 says that it is God's will that each believer in Christ be conformed to the image of His Son Jesus Christ. This is the first and most important calling that we receive as his disciples.
<b>The Bible-The Inerrant Word of God</b>	<b>We believe</b> that the Holy Bible is the inerrant, divinely revealed Word of God.	2 Peter 1:16-21; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Matthew 5:18; John 17:17; 1 Peter 2:2; Romans 15:4	Since the beginning of Creation, God has been speaking. The Holy Bible is God's divine revelation to man. The Apostle Peter defines the word of God as a light that shines in a dark place.
<b>The Rapture</b>	<b>We believe</b> that there shall be a supernatural event that we know as the "Rapture". The Rapture is the day when the saints will be called up to be with the Lord. This is symbolically seen in scripture as the Lord returning for His bride, the Church.	Philippians 3:20-21; John 14:3; Romans 8:20-23; 1 Cor. 15:35-55; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; John 17:24; Rev 3:10; Daniel 12:1	The scriptures teach us that the Rapture shall occur before the Tribulation, The Second Coming of the Lord (Millennial Reign) and Final Judgement.
<b>The Second Coming of Christ (Millennial Reign)</b>	<b>We believe</b> the Lord Jesus Christ shall physically return to the earth and will reign as King for 1,000 years.	Hebrews 9:28; Rev 1:7; Rev. 20:1-10; Numbers 34: 1-12; Genesis 15:18-20; 2 Samuel 7:12-16	The purpose of his reign is to fulfill certain prophetic promises to Israel and to his disciples.
<b>The Final Judgement</b>	<b>We believe</b> that there will be a final day of Judgment, where Jesus Christ, the Son of God, will judge all men for how they have lived in the earth before the world comes to an end.	Romans 1:18; 2 Timothy 4:1; John 5:22; Romans 2:5-6; 1 Cor. 4:5; 2 Cor. 5:10; Rev. 20:12-15	All skeptics will be judged by Christ at the "great white throne," and they will face punishment in accordance with the acts they have done.
<b>A New Heaven &amp; A New Earth</b>	<b>We believe</b> that after the Final Judgment, according to the scriptures, a new Jerusalem, a new heaven and earth shall come forth prepared for the righteous ones, those who have been washed in the Blood of the Lamb.	Rev. 21:1-5; Isaiah 65:17; Hebrews 12:26-27; 2 Peter 3:12-13	This is the fulfillment of God's promise to His children. He has prepared us for this place, where we will live Him forever. No more sin, no more death, only righteousness, love, peace, and joy. God is faithful!