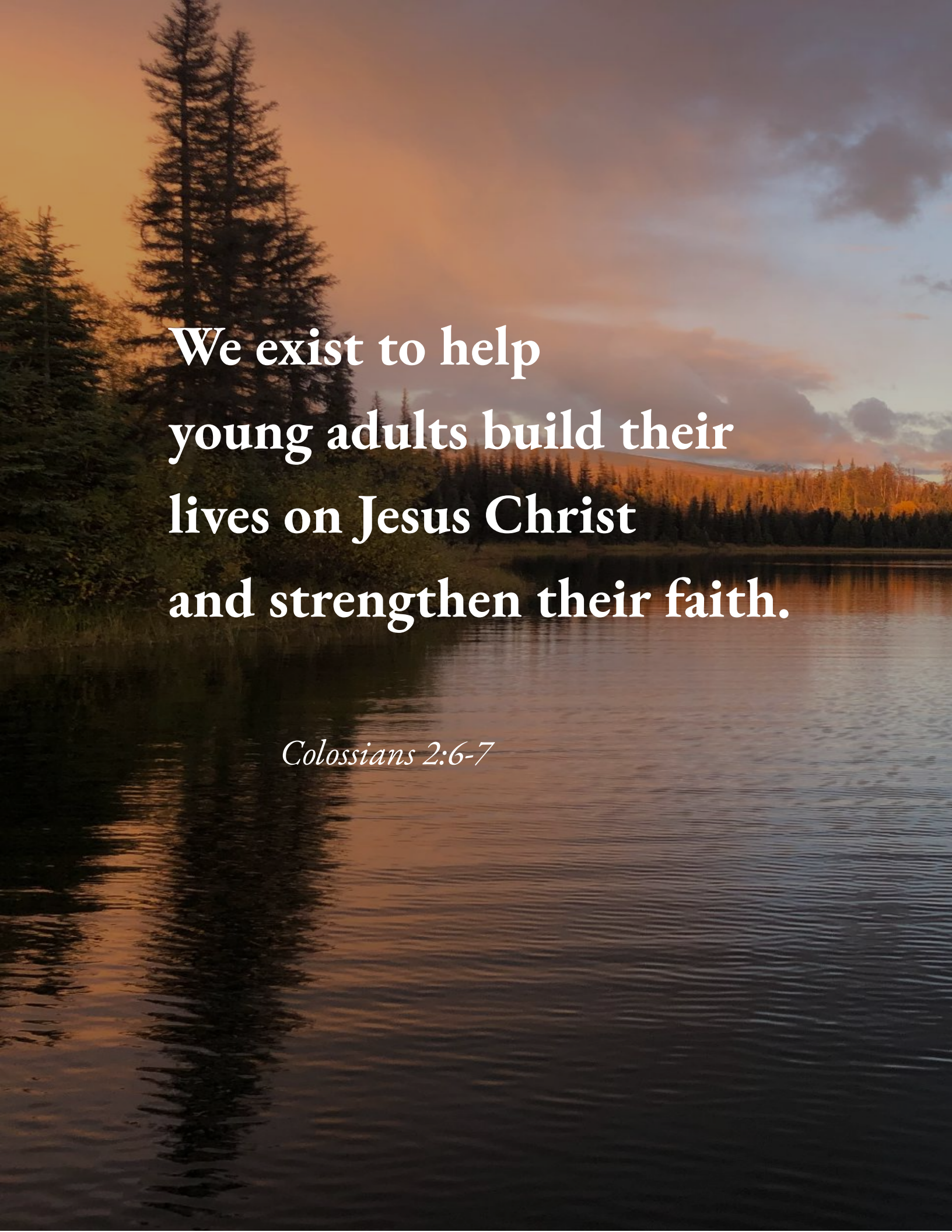




North Star Bible School
COURSE CATALOG

2025 - 2026



**We exist to help
young adults build their
lives on Jesus Christ
and strengthen their faith.**

Colossians 2:6-7



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Program Description:

The core of the program consists of 28 one-week long classes taught by Godly instructors from all over the states. Since the classes are one week long, we are able to get highly qualified teachers that are experts in the subject, many of whom are teaching full time at other colleges or universities. Classes are 3 ½ hours each morning with the exception of Wednesday, when a chapel service is held. A strong focal point is on the practical application of scripture, in combination with reading assignments, essays and a concluding final.

Discipleship is also an area of emphasis. Students are assigned to a staff member for one-on-one meetings each week and participate in a community group that meets together weekly in a staff couple's home.

There is a service component as well. Each student is expected to work 6 hours per week on campus where they learn practical life skills.

A strong emphasis is placed on the Church. Students are required to choose a local church to attend and serve in. We do have a chapel service on campus Wednesday mornings that give the entire student body the chance to worship together and hear excellent sermons from a variety of speakers, but we are not the church and it is important that the students learn to attend and serve in a local church body



There is a night class on Tuesdays, taught by full time staff which focuses on a variety of spiritual and practical applications.

The sense of community is strong. We are in a less distracted setting, surrounded by God's beautiful creation, with lots of adventures to be had. The staff live on campus with the students. The students go to all the same classes together, they eat together, they play together, they live together. Strong friendships are formed that last a lifetime.

Classes begin the 3rd week of August and go through Thanksgiving. They resume after the first of the year and graduation is the first week of May. There is a 5 day backpacking trip, a Fall Break, a Spring Break, and an end of the year trip to another part of Alaska.

Attending NSBS can truly be a life changing experience. Proverbs tell us wisdom is more valuable than silver, gold, or rubies. Proverbs continues on to say that nothing we desire compares to wisdom and we should seek it as if we were looking for silver. The basis of wisdom is knowledge of God through His word (Proverbs 8:11; 2:4; 9:10).

To take a year as you begin your adult life and devote it to building your life on Jesus Christ can impact all areas for the rest of your life.



Course List | Fall Semester

Introduction to Bible I: Doctrine of Scripture

This course explores the claims the Bible makes of itself and how the Scriptures came from God to us, exploring the process of revelation, inspiration, collection, transmission, and translation. This course is one part of a three-part Introduction to Bible credit.

Textbook: Truth Matters: Confident Faith in a Confusing World by Andreas Kostenberger

Introduction to Bible II: Biblical Overview

A course designed to give a broad picture of the Bible, which enables the student to visualize the Word as a whole. Emphasis is on the historical flow of the scriptures throughout redemptive history. This course is part two of a three-part Introduction to Bible credit.

Textbook: Christ From Beginning to End by Hunter & Wellum

Backpack Trip (Elective)

In the early fall, students will experience a challenging but exciting week backpacking. Students will be seeing the sights of the Talkeetna Mountains, which happens to be our backyard! This course will also give the student a new awareness of the environment from a Biblical viewpoint. This course is a one credit elective course.

Introduction to Bible III: Christ in All of Scripture

The aim of this class is to reveal that the Lord Jesus would be seen more clearly and accurately as the great point of all Scripture. This course is part three of a three-part Introduction to Bible credit.

Textbook: Jesus on Every Page by David Murray; Looking Unto Jesus by Theodore Monod

Old Testament Survey I: The Pentateuch

This class will study the theology, content and unity of the first five books of the Old Testament. Various readings and discussion will introduce the student to various critical approaches to the origin and development of the Pentateuch and to the ways it continues to guide and shape God's people today. This course is part one of a four-week Old Testament Survey credit.

Textbook: Survey of the Old Testament by Paul Benware

Old Testament Survey II: Historical Books

This course will give the student a detailed overview of all the historical Old Testament books with a focus on the main characters and events contained within. Also, one of the books will receive special attention. This course is part two of a four-week Old Testament Survey credit.

Textbook: Survey of the Old Testament by Paul Benware

Old Testament Survey III: Wisdom Literature

This study of Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and The Song of Solomon leads students through poetry and prose unrivaled in all secular literature. The Wisdom Books are beautiful

Holy Spirit-inspired literature, containing narrative, history, instruction, celebration, prayer, passion, prophecy, and more unfolding of the drama of divine redemption, looking toward its ultimate fulfillment in the atoning of Jesus Christ. This course is part three of a four-week Old Testament Survey credit.

Textbook: Survey of the Old Testament by Paul Benware

Old Testament Survey IV: Prophets

This class looks at the role and significance of Old Testament prophets as emphasized in light of Biblical history. This overview includes a focus on select prophets and prophetic oracles. This course is part four of a four-week Old Testament Survey credit.

Textbook: Survey of the Old Testament by Paul Benware

New Testament Studies I: I Timothy – The Church

This course is a verse-by-verse look at Paul's letter to Timothy as he takes on the role of pastoring the church in Ephesus. In this book, God inspired Paul to instruct Timothy and subsequent church leaders how the local church should be set up and run. Students will learn the Biblical standards and priorities for the local church. This course is part of a five credit New Testament studies series.

Textbook: I Timothy commentary by John MacArthur

New Testament Survey I: Jesus & the Gospels

This course is an introductory look into the four Gospels written to show the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. This course is part one of a three-week New Testament Survey credit.

Textbook: Survey of the New Testament by Paul Benware

New Testament Survey II: Pauline Epistles

This course is an introductory look into the letters God inspired Paul to write, as well as a general overview into Pauline theology. This course is part two of a three-week New Testament Survey credit.

Textbook: Survey of the New Testament by Paul Benware

New Testament Survey III: General Epistles

This course is an introductory look into the other New Testament letters not written by Paul, including James, Hebrews, 1 & 2 Peter, Jude, and the Johannine epistles. This course is part three of a three-week New Testament Survey credit.

Textbook: Survey of the New Testament by Paul Benware

Spiritual Disciplines (Spiritual Formations - Night Course)

This course gives the basis for and a brief look at the many different spiritual disciplines that the Bible encourages believers to participate in in order to grow in their Christian life. This course is a one credit elective course.

Textbook: Habits of Grace by David Mathis



Course List | Spring Semester

Biblical Creation Science (Elective)

This class will explore what the Bible teaches about how God created the world around us. At a time in our culture when the world is desperate to show there is no God, this course will show the student how Scripture compares to the hollow theories set up against it. This course is a one credit elective course.

Textbook: The New Answers Book: Over 25 Questions on Creation/Evolution and the Bible by Ken Ham

Systematic Theology I: Doctrine of God, Jesus & the Holy Spirit

This course concentrates on seeing God as He is and the impact that this understanding can have on the Christian life. Additionally, this class will examine the sufficiency and necessity of the life, death, and resurrection of Christ as God's means to rescue the world. Finally, this course seeks to give students an introductory level of insight into what the Bible has to say about the third person of the Triune God, the Holy Spirit. This course is part one of a three-part Systematic Theology credit.

Textbook: Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem

Systematic Theology II: Doctrine of Man and Sin

This course seeks to take a concentrated look at gaining a biblical understanding of man as made in God's image, what really happened at the fall and the consequences of the fall. This course is part two of a three-part Systematic Theology credit.

Textbook: Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem

Systematic Theology III: Doctrine of Salvation

This course seeks to give students a Biblical understanding of the Doctrine of Salvation. This class will explore the elements of Redemption and how the Triune Godhead participates in our salvation and sanctification. This course is part three of a three-part Systematic Theology credit.

Textbook: Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem

New Testament Studies II: Ephesians

This course is a verse-by-verse look at Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus. In this book, students will learn the critical things that the Apostle Paul teaches the members of the Ephesian church. This course is part of a five credit New Testament studies series.

Textbook: Ephesians Commentary; John MacArthur

Apologetics I: Introduction to Worldview

As a Christian, the defense of our faith is our responsibility. As we learn to defend our faith we see that it is a confirmation to believers and conviction to non-believers. This course shows how the Gospel gives Christians a new way of seeing everything in the world around them. This is part one of a three-week Apologetics credit.

Textbook: The Gospel Centered Life published by New Growth Press (Serge)

Apologetics II: Contemporary Issues & Objections

In this course students will look at how Christianity responds to some of the main contemporary issues that are facing Western culture today. This course is part two of a three-week Apologetics credit.

Textbook: Strange New World by Truman

Apologetics III: World Religions

This course looks at how the grace found in Christianity makes it unique to the other religions of the world. This course will also take a look at pseudo-Christian cults and how they do not teach true Christian doctrine. This course is part three of a three-week Apologetics credit.

Textbook: TBD

New Testament Studies III: Romans 1-8

This course is a verse-by-verse look at chapters 1-8 in the letter to the Christians living in first century Rome. In this book, God inspired Paul to instruct and encourage the Roman believers to understand great doctrine while living out those doctrines on a daily basis. Students will learn the Biblical theology and the necessary truths to live in a Christ-centered manner. This course is part of a five credit New Testament studies series.

Textbook: The Righteous Shall Live by Faith by R.C. Sproul

New Testament Studies IV: Romans 9-16

This course is a verse-by-verse look at chapters 9-16 in the letter to the Christians living in first century Rome. In this book, God inspired Paul to instruct and encourage the Roman believers to understand great doctrine while living out those doctrines on a daily basis. Students will learn the Biblical theology and the necessary truths to live in a Christ-centered manner. This course is part of a five credit New Testament studies series.

Textbook: The Bible

Church History I: Book of Acts

This class will take a look back at the New Testament Church and the foundations of Christianity so that we can learn how to live and function in the Church today. Discussions will contrast God's view of the role and relationship of the Church against those ideas contrived by man. Emphasis will be on backgrounds of denominations today and present teachings. This course is part one of a three-week Church History credit.

Textbook: Church History in Plain Language by Bruce Shelley

Church History II: 100 AD – Reformation

This course will offer an overview of Church history, from AD 100 to the Reformation. Special attention will be given to theological and denominational development, as well as a study of the lives of many of history's religious leaders. This course is part two of a three-week Church History credit.

Textbook: Church History in Plain Language by Bruce Shelley

Church History III: Reformation – Present Day

This course will offer an overview of Church history, from the Reformation to the present. Special attention will be given to theological and denominational development, as well as a study of the lives of many of history's religious leaders. Like in the previous week, the goal is for the student to come to an understanding that history is more than memorized facts, but that it is affecting them even today. This course is part three of a three-week Church History credit.

Textbook: Church History in Plain Language by Bruce Shelley

New Testament Studies V: Galatians

This course is a verse-by-verse look at Paul's letter to the churches in Galatia. In this book, students will learn the critical things that the Apostle Paul teaches the members of these churches. This course is part of a five credit New Testament studies series.

Textbook: TBD

Introduction to Missions I: Global Missions & History

This course will provide a Biblical foundation for understanding God's mission among the nations, a historical overview of missions, and exploring the calling all Christians have to be a part of God's mission in the world. This course is part one of a two-week Missions credit.

Textbook: The Insanity of God by Nik Ripken

Introduction to Missions II: Personal Missions

The aim of this course is to show students the importance of living for God's purpose and mission in the world as a Christian, whether or not they are in vocational ministry, and what that looks like in today's culture. Missions will be examined at the micro level. This course is part two of a two-week Missions credit.

Textbook: TBD

Practical Christian Living (Spiritual Formations - Night Course)

This class is designed to help students apply Scriptural principles to their everyday life. This class will explore a few elements of Christian life such as: Recognizing hindrances to victorious Christian living; Understanding key principles for healthy relationships; Understanding the Biblical principles of conflict resolution; Examining how to face and overcome adversity; Understanding Biblical and practical principles on finance; Examining practical ways to serve the local church; Researching scriptures relevant to class topic. This course is a one credit elective course.

Textbook: Christ Victorious by Dr. Cliff Boone



Academic Calendar

August 29-30

Student/Parent Orientation

Dorms open at 1:30 PM

September 1

Fall Semester begins

First day of Fall classes

October 2-5

Fall Break

Thursday - Sunday

November 21

Fall Semester Ends

Campus Closes November 24

January 4

Campus Reopens

Dining hall opens 12:30pm

January 5

Spring Semester Begins

First day of Spring classes

March 6 - 15

Spring Break

Campus closed

April 30

Spring Semester Ends

Last day of regular classes

May 1-6

Year-End Student Trip

A culminating adventure!

May 9

Graduation

Ceremony begins at 10:00AM



Belief Statement

The Bible

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God (II Timothy 3:16; I Peter 1:21). Scripture is inerrant, complete, and the only infallible authoritative Word of God.

The Godhead

The Godhead eternal exists in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and these three are one God (I John 1:1-14; Matthew 28:19-20; Deuteronomy 6:4). Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God, took upon Himself humanity being conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of the virgin Mary. His life was sinless, His miracles literal. His death was a vicarious and atoning death. He rose from the dead on the third day, ascended into heaven and his now interceding as our High Priest and will personally come and visibly set up His millennial kingdom (Colossians 1:15; Philippians 2:5-8; I Peter 2:24-25). The Holy Spirit indwells the believer at the moment of salvation and is the comforter and helper as well as the one who convicts us of sin. We believe that God, in grace, gives gifts to every believer for use in the ministry to which He calls us (John 7: 38, 39; John 14:16; John 17:15).

Humanity & Salvation

Man was created innocent and fell in the Garden of Eden; therefore natural man is spiritually dead. Man can be saved by God's grace only by believing that Jesus Christ was the only sacrifice for our sins. Man is saved by faith alone, not by any works, for our redemption is accomplished solely by the blood of Jesus. A Christian cannot lose his salvation for it was accomplished through Christ's work which never fails, not man's work, and is sealed by the Holy Spirit (John 5:24, Romans 5:1, 8:28-38, Ephesians 1:13, Philippians 1:6). A Christian life is to be separated from the world, "walking after the Spirit, not after the flesh." (Romans 8:12-13, 13:14; Galatians 5:16-25; Colossians 3:1-10; II Corinthians 7:1).

Resurrection

We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation

(I Corinthians 15; Revelation 20; John 5:19).

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