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1. We believe the Bible is the irrefutable, inspired, printed Words of God.
2. We believe there is only one God and his name is Jesus.
3. We believe the plan of Salvation is found in it's entirety in the book of Acts.

Church is a Greek word meaning, "The Lord's House." (See History of the Church for complete history).

The church was established in the book of Acts of the Apostles. No other place in the Bible will you find the complete plan of salvation. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, (also called the gospel, meaning good news), were written about the life and miracles of Jesus. They tell of the deity of Jesus.

Romans through Jude are, for the most part, letters written to churches that were already established in the book of Acts. These letters were for instructions to help with specific problems and encouragement to those churches. They were maintenance manuals written to those churches. No book in the New Testament has the complete plan of Salvation except the book of Acts. The other books from Romans through Jude are like owners manuals. Your automobile owners manual when you look up how to change a flat will tell you only how to change the flat. They do not tell you how the automobile was made. The manufacturer assumes that you have the automobile, otherwise you would not need to know how to change a flat.

The basic and fundamental doctrine of The Apostolic Church is the Bible standard of full salvation, which is repentance, baptism in water by immersion in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, with the initial sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

The Bible is the inspired Word Of God. It gives a true history of the creation of the heavens, the earth, and of mankind. It contains the correct prophecy of the ages to come regarding the heavens and the earth, and the destiny of man. Furthermore, there is no salvation outside of that which is contained within its pages.

There is only One God: the Creator of the heavens and the earth, and of all mankind. This One God, the I AM, is manifested (revealed) to mankind as the Father (in creation), Son (as Savior or in redemption)(1 Jn.5:20), and Holy Ghost, (indwelling Spirit) (Rom. 8:11). God is a Spirit (John 4:24), the Eternal One, the Creator of all things, and of all men. Thus making Him their Father (through creation) (Malachi 2:10). The LORD is the FIRST and the LAST, and beside Him there is no God (Isa. 44:6).

There was no God formed before him, neither shall there be after Him (Isa. 43:10). Jesus is the Son of God according to the flesh (Rom. 1:3). Jesus is the very God Himself according to the Spirit (Matt. 1:18-23). Jesus is the Christ (Matt. 16:16). Jesus is the Creator of all things (Col. 1:16, 17; Jn.1:10; Isa.40:28). Jesus is God with us (Matt. 1:23). Jesus is God made flesh (John 1:1-14). Jesus is God manifested in the flesh (1 Tim. 3:16). Jesus is He which was, which is, and which is to come, The Almighty. (Rev. 1:8; Isa. 9:6). To this, Jesus Himself testified when He

said: "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father" (John 14:7-11).

Since it took shedding of blood for the remission (forgiveness) of the sins of the world (Heb. 9:22), God as the Father, being a Spirit, had no blood to shed; so He prepared a body of flesh and blood (Heb. 10:5), that He might fulfill the prophecy of Isa.43:11, "Beside Me there is no Savior". Thus, when Jesus was born into the world, he was Jehovah our Savior (that is the meaning of the name Jesus), the one God of the universe, the Lord God Almighty, born as a man. This caused the angels to sing, "For there is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ The Lord" (Luke 2:11).

The Holy Ghost is not the third person in the Godhead! The Holy Ghost is the Spirit, Jesus Christ coming to dwell in the hearts and lives of those who receive him. That is why, when speaking of the Spirit, Jesus said "I will not leave you comfortless, I will come to you" (John 14:16-26; Rom 8:9; 2 Cor.13:5). So there are not three persons in the God-head, but three manifestations of the One God. God is the Savior, and his saving name is now revealed to men as Jesus. Therefore Jesus is the name of God. Salvation consists of deliverance from sin through the blood of Christ. This is accomplished by repentance from sin, (making an about face and turning from sin), water baptism in the Name of Jesus, for the remission (forgiveness and washing away) of sins, and receiving the Baptism of the Spirit, (Holy Ghost), with the initial evidence of speaking in other tongues, and the continuance of a righteous life. (Acts 2:26-41)

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