

# TRR Mission, Vision and Statement of Faith

Our desire is to inspire a renewal of HOPE – fueled by the love, character, and integrity of Jesus Christ. This HOPE strengthens individuals, relationships and marriages. It also enriches family, revitalizes the church, and improves organizational performance, thus dramatically impacting the local community and influencing future generations. We are dedicated to reaching the lives of thousands of people–one life and relationship at a time.

We believe that both spiritually and mentally healthy individuals enrich any relationship. The reason for troubled relationships, unsuccessful marriages, and broken families are many and often complex...but there is help and there is HOPE.

#### We Believe:

- In the Bible as the fully inspired Word of God, the only infallible rule for faith and practice.
- In the eternally existing Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- In God the Father who concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of man.
- In Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, teachings, His atoning death, resurrection, ascension into heaven, and promise of His return to earth.
- In the Holy Spirit and His present ministry of rebirth and renewal as well as the working of spiritual gifts.
- That all people are sinners and yet made in the image of God.
- Only repentance and faith in Jesus Christ can restore us into fellowship with God.
- In the Church world-wide, the living spiritual body, of which Christ is the Head and all regenerated persons are members.
- In the ordinance of Water Baptism and Communion.
- In the personal, visible return of Jesus Christ to earth and the consummation of His kingdom.
- In what is termed "The Apostles' Creed" as embodying the fundamental facts of Christian faith. We endorse the historic orthodox creeds of the Church.

## Statement of Biblical Authority:

We are a pro church 501c3 non profit organization. This statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our faith. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God speaks with the final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, and is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For the purposes of church doctrine, practice, policy, employment, and discipline, our Board of Directors is the organization's final interpretive authority.

#### **Statement of Marriage:**

Marriage has been ordained by God. The church defines "marriage" as the exclusive covenant union of one man and one woman.

## The Biblical View of Marriage:

The institution of marriage is one of the greatest gifts to mankind by God. His divine plan was revealed to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden and described clearly in Genesis 2:24 where we read, "Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother, and cleave unto his wife and they shall be one flesh." The concept of the marriage covenant is central to the Biblical view of the relationship between God and His people and between marital partners. From Genesis to Revelation, the Bible compares God's marriage covenant to His people with our marriage covenant to our spouses.

Marriage is not a social experiment left to the interpretation of society. For five thousand years of recorded history every civilization in the history of mankind has been built on it. To be very direct and succinct, the institution of marriage represents the very foundation of human social order. Everything of value sits on this cornerstone. Institutions, governments, religious organizations and the health and welfare of children are all dependent on its stability. When marriage is weakened or undermined, the entire superstructure of civilization is threatened.

Biblical Marriage is not a contract mandated by the state—it is a covenant between man and God. Human marriages are meant to be like God's marriage covenant to His people in both purpose and permanence. The marriage covenant provides us with a clue to understanding the very heart of God. It helps us understand God's redemptive purpose for all mankind.

The primary purpose of marriage is to display the person and character of a loving God. It is through Christian marriage that the world can observe and learn of God's love, mercy, and grace.