



# Articles of Faith

## Course Syllabus

### FALL SEMESTER 2013

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**Class Hours:** Thursday Evenings from 8:30-9:30 PM

**TEXT:**

KJV of the Bible

**Supporting Texts:** Baptist Confessions of Faith, Lumpkin, Basic Baptist Beliefs, Harold Rawlings, A Faith to Confess, The Baptist Confession of Faith of 1689, Carey Publications

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course makes a systematic study of the Articles of Faith. We will look at the history of the confessions of faith and the traditional twenty articles most common among Baptists. We will also look at the need for having our beliefs clearly stated and the need for addressing areas of doctrine that have not been emphasized in the recent past. The course will talk about legal concerns and the changing social concerns affecting the church's doctrinal statements.

**COURSE GOALS:** Upon completion of the course the student will be able to:

1. To have a clear and confident understanding of the Articles of Faith.
2. To have a basic understanding of the history of the AOFs.
3. To have a clear understanding of the influences of today's society.
4. To understand the legal concerns which necessitate a fresh look at our AOFs.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Personal attendance and class participation in discussions.
2. Personal handwritten/typed notes must be taken on all class lectures. These notes will be in addition to any printed notes and/or handouts

- provided during the course. Both the handwritten notes and the handouts must be turned in at the end of the semester.
3. Read an approved textbook and write a brief review.
  4. Each student must prepare a 5-page (2000 word) research paper from an approved list of subjects presented by the instructor to be turned in prior to taking the final exam at the end of the semester.

### **COURSE SCHEDULE:**

August 29, 2013	Introduction of the Course
September 5, 2013	Regular Class
September 12, 2013	Regular Class
September 19, 2013	Regular Class
September 26, 2013	Regular Class
October 3, 2013	Regular Class
October 10, 2013	Regular Class
October 17, 2013	Regular Class
October 24, 2013	Regular Class
October 31, 2013	Regular Class
November 7, 2013	Regular Class
November 14, 2013	Regular Class
November 21, 2013	Regular Class
November 28, 2013	Thanksgiving Break
December 5, 2013	Regular Class
December 12, 2013	Regular Class
December 19, 2013	Final Exam

### **COUSE EXAMINATION:**

Grades will be based on the student's performance on two tests, each worth 20% of the final grade. Notebook and class participation will be worth 20%. Term paper 20%. Attendance, attitude and punctuality 20%.

### **GRADING SCALE:**

A=100%-95%  
 B=94%-85%  
 C=84%-78%  
 D=77%-68%  
 F=below 68%

### **TESTING:**

Pop tests -- Be prepared at any time.  
 Mid-term – October 22, 2009  
 Final – December 17, 2009

## **Lesson Plans for Articles of Faith**

1. August 29, 2013---Lesson Plan: Introduction of Articles of Faith
2. September 5, 2013---Lesson Plan:
3. September 12, 2013---Lesson Plan:
4. September 19, 2013---Lesson Plan:
5. September 26, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
6. October 3, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
7. October 10, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
8. October 17, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
9. October 24, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
10. October 31, 2013-- Lesson Plan:
11. November 7, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
12. November 14, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
13. November 21, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
14. November 28, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
15. December 5, 2013--- Lesson Plan:
16. December 12, 2013--- Lesson Plan: Review for Final Test.
17. December 19, 2013--- Lesson Plan: Turn in all assignments and notebooks and Final Test.