

**A DECLARATION**  
OF THE  
**FAITH, PRACTICE, AND COVENANT**  
OF THE  
**CHURCHES OF CHRIST,**  
COMPOSING THE  
**NEW-BRUNSWICK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.**

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*Article 1.* We believe that there is but one only living and true God, who is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth: Deut. 6, 4; John 4, 24; Psal. 90, 2; Jer. 10, 10; Isa. 6, 3; Exod. 34, 6, 7.

2. That there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, who are but one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory: 1 John 5, 7; Acts 5, 3, 4.

3. That the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, are the Word of God, in which he hath given us our only rule of faith and practice: Acts 20, 32; 2 Tim. 3, 15—17.

4. That God, who is infinite in knowledge, and perfectly views all things from the beginning to the end, hath foreordained that whatsoever comes to pass, either by his order or permission, shall work for the eternal glory of his great name: Acts 15, 18; Rom. 9, 17—23; Acts 2, 23; Psal. 76, 10.

5. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that in them are; and he upholds and governs all things by the word of his power: Exod. 20, 11; Heb. 1, 3; Dan. 4, 35.

6. That God made man in his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and true holiness; and made with him a covenant of life, the condition of which was perfect obedience: Gen. 1, 26, 27; Gen. 2, 16, 17; Gal. 3, 10.

7. Man being left to himself, soon fell from that happy and glorious estate, in which he was made, by eating the forbidden fruit, by which he brought himself and all his posterity into a state of death: Gen. 3, 6; Rom. 5, 12—19.

8. Man being thus dead, his help and recovery are wholly in and from God: Hos. 13, 9; Eph. 2, 8; John 6, 44.

9. We believe that God the Father hath chosen a great multitude of the human family, which no man can number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, and gave them to his Son in the covenant of his grace, that he might redeem them from

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