

BCC Essentials

What is essential at BCC?

**We believe the Bible,
consisting of the Old and
New Testament, to be the
only inspired, inerrant,
infallible, authoritative
Word of God written.**

**We believe there is one
God, eternally existent in
three persons: Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit.**

We believe in the deity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.

We believe regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for the salvation of lost and sinful man.

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling power and fullness the Christian is enabled to live a godly life in this present evil world.

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

**We believe in the spiritual
unity of all believers in
Christ.**

John 17:22-23

The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

Ephesians 4:3ff

**eager to maintain the unity
of the Spirit in the bond of
peace.**

1 Corinthians 12:12ff

**For just as the body is one
and has many members,
and all the members of the
body, though many, are one
body, so it is with Christ.**

In things essential, unity.

**In things nonessential,
liberty.**

And in all things, charity.

List of Essentials

- **the authority of Scripture**
- **the dual nature of Christ**
- **the Trinity**
- **the exclusivity of Christ with regard to accessing God the Father**
- **promoting the gospel as a duty of all believers**
- **conversion (being born again) as a prerequisite for all genuine believers**
- **the necessity of Christ's death and resurrection**

List of Nonessentials

- **predestination**
- **role of women**
- **method of baptism**
- **end times**
- **Lord's Supper**
- **church government**

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