

Personal Confession Title 8/19/2017

This first Paragraph is your introduction. You should state that because of your studies of the theologies and confessions that came from the Reformation and the Renaissance, you are inspired to write your own personal confession. (Remember, you may be submitting this document to other Christian schools or organizations in the future.) You should also state in your introduction that all of your scripture references are from (Whatever version of the Bible). Please use the following format; double-space your statements of belief and single-space your scripture quotes. Use Times New Roman 12 for your font and Times New Roman 14 for the title and chapter headings. Make a minimum of two statements under each heading and support each statement with at least two scripture references. More statements and references may be used if you desire. The following examples are taken directly from the Westminster Confession. Your statements must be in your own words.

I. Of the Holy Scriptures

- A. Although the light of nature, and the works of creation and providence do so far manifest the goodness, wisdom, and power of God, as to leave men unexcusable; yet are they not sufficient to give that knowledge of God, and of His will, which is necessary unto salvation. Therefore it pleased the Lord to reveal Himself, and to declare that His will unto His Church; to commit the same wholly unto writing; which makes the Holy Scripture to be most necessary; those former ways of God's revealing His will unto His people being now ceased.

Romans 1:19, 20 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse.

Hebrews 1:1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets.

B. In The whole counsel of God concerning all things necessary for His own glory, man's salvation, faith and life, is either expressly set down in Scripture, or by good and necessary consequence may be deduced from Scripture: unto which nothing at any time is to be added, whether by new revelations of the Spirit, or traditions of men. Nevertheless, we acknowledge the inward illumination of the Spirit of God to be necessary for the saving understanding of such things as are revealed in the Word.

2 Timothy 3:15-17 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Galatians 1:8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. 9 As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

II. Of God, and of the Holy Trinity

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