

New Hope EFC Nov 19, 2017: Jesus

Sermon on the EFCA Statement of Faith- Article 4 – part 2

We believe that Jesus Christ is God incarnate, fully God and fully man, one Person in two natures. Jesus, Israel's promised Messiah, was conceived through the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He lived a sinless life, was crucified under Pontius Pilate, arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father as our High Priest and Advocate.

Romans 6:23 NIV: "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

1. Jesus is the Messiah of Israel: Isaiah 9:6-8; Acts 2:31-36; Matthew 1:1-16; Luke 1:32-33; Psalm 2
Genesis 3:15, 28:10-15; Daniel 9:25-26; Isaiah 43:1-14, 52:10-15, and ch 53. Isaiah 61; Luke 3:21-4:13, Luke 4:16-21; John 4:25-26.
2. Facts of the gospel: 1 Corinthians 15:3-8
3. A sinless life: Hebrews 5:7-10; Acts 2:24-32; 1 Peter 3:18; Acts 2:24, 27; 1 Peter 3:18; Hebrews 10:10-14 and John 8:42-47
4. Jesus died on a cross: Mark 15:21-24, 37-46; John 10:11-18; Luke 22:42.

5. Jesus rose from the dead in a new, but real body (Luke 24:36-46; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; Luke 24:39; 1 Corinthians 15:20-23, 15:42-44; John 20:25-27; Revelation 5:5-6.
6. Jesus ascended: Acts 1:3-9; Ephesians 2:6; Colossians 3:1; Ephesians 1:20-21; 1 Corinthians 15:24-28.
7. he is our advocate, our mediator: 1 John 2:1-2; 1 Timothy 2:4
8. He is our perfect High priest, Hebrews 7:23-28
9. He sacrificed himself: Hebrews 9:11-15, 10:5-23, 7:23-28
Romans 5:8-11 NIV: "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.