

## **Additional Statements on Prayer, Reconciliation, Relationships and Human Nature**

PRAYER - God commands us to pray and promises to hear us (James 5:16, Matthew 18:18-20). We teach that God communicates His power and presence to believers through prayer (Revelation 3:20-22).

RECONCILIATION - By death on the cross he revealed divine love and upheld divine justice, removing our guilt and reconciling us to God. Having risen from the grave and ascended into heaven he reigns over all as he intercedes on our behalf as the Great High Priest. (2 Cor 5:18-21).

RELATIONSHIPS – We teach that a full sexual relationship belongs within the boundaries of a publicly committed marriage between one man and one woman (Genesis 2:24, Exodus 20:14, Romans 1:26-27, Ephesians 5:31).

HUMAN NATURE. We teach that human nature contains selfishness, lack of faith, and sin, which are not removable by human means (Romans 3:23). The consequence of this fact is eternal death (Romans 6:23).