

## **The Blood of Christ**

WHEREAS we believe that "justification is that judicial act of God whereby He declares the believer righteous upon the basis of the imputed righteousness of Christ; and that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any work of righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's shed blood" (Rom 3:24; 4:5; 5:1, 9; Gal 2:16; Phil:3:9; Articles of Faith, XI); and

WHEREAS we believe that "the salvation of sinners is divinely initiated and wholly of grace through the mediatorial offices of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, Who, by the appointment of the Father, voluntarily took upon Himself our nature, yet without sin, and honored the divine law by His personal obedience, thus qualifying Himself to be our Savior; that by the shedding of His blood in His death He fully satisfied the just demands of a holy and righteous God regarding sin" (Articles of Faith, VIII);

BE IT HEREFORERESOLVED that we, the messengers of the churches in fellowship with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, meeting for our 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in Anaheim, California, on June 27 to July 1, 1988, reaffirm our Articles of Faith in the matter of the effective value of the shed blood and death of Christ and our thanks "unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood" (Rev. 1:5);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we give proper place to the teaching of Scripture in the matter of the blood of our Savior, Who has "redeemed us to God by [His] blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation" (Rev 5:9).

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