

## **The Five Solas**

CCC has its roots in The Reformation, sharing with our doctrinal predecessors those crucial biblical teachings known as the Five Solas (The word "sola" means "alone" in Latin). These five doctrines are:

### **Scripture Alone!**

The Bible alone is God's Word to man. The Bible is inerrant and sufficient for teaching us all that is necessary for being right with God and for living lives pleasing to Him.

### **Grace Alone!**

In salvation, we are rescued from God's righteous wrath by His grace alone. Salvation is a supernatural work of God in the lives of unworthy sinners, and in no way is dependent on any human effort.

### **Faith Alone!**

This salvation by grace is given to unworthy sinners solely on the basis of entrusting one's life and eternity to the work of Jesus Christ. Being declared "righteous" by a holy God is in no way based on any merit found in us.

### **Christ Alone!**

Salvation rests entirely upon the sinless life and substitutionary atonement of Jesus Christ. Any "Gospel" that adds or detracts from the message of salvation in Christ alone is heresy.

### **To the Glory of God Alone!**

Because salvation is entirely the work of God, it is ultimately for His own glory. Our entire lives must be lived continuously before the face of God, under the authority of God alone, and for the purpose of bringing glory to Him alone.