

The Authority and Infallibility of Scripture

The Church of the United Brethren in Christ reaffirms unequivocally the Word of God, the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be sole authority for the believer and the church and the only infallible rule of faith and practice; that sincere and full acceptance of the Bible as final authority is an indispensable condition of true Christian unity and further the Church of the United Brethren in Christ calls upon all churches to restore the Word of God to rightful preeminence in teaching, preaching and practice.

As the result of a contemporary resurgence of the

issues of authority and infallibility we believe it is important to again declare our belief in the Holy Bible, the Word of God written, as the infallible Word of God to man, wholly trustworthy in the fullness of its message of God's redemptive grace and His acts in history.

Further, we dedicate ourselves to the proclamation of the word through teaching, preaching and personal witness, calling upon God's people everywhere to join us in this noble task, so that others may find in the sure, dependable Word of God what we have found-an infallible guide.

This statement was adopted in 1977.