

## **STATEMENT OF FAITH ADDENDUMS:**

### ***FINAL AUTHORITY FOR MATTERS OF BELIEF AND CONDUCT***

The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of Kingdom Preparatory Academy's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our Board of Trustees is the school's final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.

### ***MARRIAGE, GENDER, AND HUMAN SEXUALITY***

#### **Preamble**

We believe that all matters of faith and conduct must be evaluated on the basis of Holy Scripture, which is our infallible guide. (2 Timothy 3:16–17) Since the Holy Bible does speak to the nature of human beings and their sexuality, it is imperative that we correctly understand and articulate what the Bible teaches on these matters.

We are committed to the home and family as set forth in Holy Scripture. We believe God has ordained and created marriage to exist between one man and one woman, with absolute marital fidelity. The Bible sets forth specific home and family values, which include the distinct roles of husbands and wives, fathers and mothers, and children. It is our firm conviction that we uphold the dignity of each individual as we embrace the unchanging and longstanding principles of scriptural truth.

#### **Religious Beliefs**

Based on Holy Scripture and the constant moral teaching of the universal Church, we believe:

**Marriage** - Kingdom Preparatory Academy defines marriage as the permanent, exclusive, comprehensive, and conjugal "one flesh" union of one man and one woman, intrinsically ordered to procreation and biological family, and in furtherance of the moral, spiritual, and public good of binding father, mother, and child. (Genesis 1:27-28, Genesis 2:18-24, Matthew 19:4-9, Mark 10:5-9, Ephesians 5:31-33)

**Sexual Immorality** - Kingdom Preparatory Academy believes that sexual acts outside marriage are prohibited as sinful. Consequently, Kingdom Preparatory Academy members must resist and refrain from any and all sexual acts outside marriage. (Exodus 20:14, Leviticus 18:7-23, Leviticus 20:10-21, Deuteronomy 5:18, Matthew 15:19, Matthew 5:27-28, Romans 1:26-27, 1 Corinthians 6:9-20, 1 Thessalonians 4:3, Hebrews 13:4, Galatians 5:19, Ephesians 4:17-24, Colossians 3:5)

**Gender Identity** - Kingdom Preparatory Academy believes that God created mankind in His image: male (man) and female (woman), sexually different but with equal personal dignity. Consequently, Kingdom Preparatory Academy members must affirm their biological sex and

refrain from any and all attempts to physically change, alter, or disagree with their predominant biological sex — including but not limited to elective sex-reassignment, transvestite, transgender, or non-binary “genderqueer” acts or conduct. (Genesis 1:26-28, Romans 1:26-32, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11)

**Sexual Orientation** - Kingdom Preparatory Academy believes that God created and ordered human sexuality to the permanent, exclusive, comprehensive, and conjugal “one flesh” union of man and woman, intrinsically ordered to procreation and biological family, and in furtherance of the moral, spiritual, and public good of binding father, mother, and child.

Consequently, Kingdom Preparatory Academy members must affirm the sexual complementarity of man and woman and resist any and all same-sex sexual attractions and refrain from any and all same-sex sexual acts or conduct, which are intrinsically disordered. (Genesis 1:27, Genesis 2:24, Leviticus 18:22, Matthew 19:4-6, Mark 10:5-9, Romans 1:24-32, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, Ephesians 5:25-33, Revelation 19:7-9, Revelation 21:2)

**Sexual Redemption** - Kingdom Preparatory Academy believes that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and should seek redemption through confession, repentance, baptism, and faith in Jesus Christ. Consequently, Kingdom Preparatory Academy members must welcome and treat with respect, compassion, and sensitivity all who experience same-sex attractions or confess sexually immoral acts but are committed to resisting sexual temptation, refraining from sexual immorality, and conforming their behavior to Kingdom Preparatory Academy’s Statement of Faith. (Matthew 11:28-30, Romans 3:21-26, Ephesians 2:1-10, I Corinthians 10:13, Hebrews 2:17-18, Hebrews 4:14-16)

**Celibacy** - Kingdom Preparatory Academy believes that Holy Scripture grants two life-enhancing options for human sexual behavior: (1) the conjugal “one flesh” marital union of one man and one woman, and (2) celibacy. Either is a gift from God, given as He wills for His glory and the good of those who receive and rejoice in His gift to them. Celibacy and faithful singleness is to be celebrated and affirmed within Kingdom Preparatory Academy. (Genesis 1:27-28; 2:18, 21-24; Matthew 19:4-6; Mark 10:5-9; Hebrews 13:4; 1 Corinthians 7:1-9; Matthew 19:10-12; 1 Corinthians 12:12-13)

### **Application**

All of our students, parents, employees, and volunteers must affirm and adhere to this Doctrinal and Religious Absolute statement on marriage and human sexuality to qualify for involvement with Kingdom Preparatory Academy. This is necessary to accomplish our religious mission, goals, and purpose. Behavior or counter-witnessing that does otherwise will impede and burden our integrity and religious mission. We believe that God’s grace can wipe the slate of guilt and sin, though the consequences are often still incurred.

### **Authority**

The Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God, acting as the source of authority over morality, our beliefs, Christian lifestyle, and conduct. Relating to school matters, Kingdom

Preparatory Academy's Board of Trustees is charged with the ministerial responsibility of Biblical interpretation and promulgating religious policy. Kingdom Preparatory Academy's Board of Trustees will determine life application as well as final matters relating to church theology, philosophy, Christian practice, faith, divine truth, morality, and theological and doctrinal resolutions.

## ***SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE***

### **Preamble**

We believe that all matters of faith and conduct must be evaluated on the basis of Holy Scripture, which is our inspired, infallible, and inerrant guide. (2 Timothy 3:16–17) Because Holy Scripture speaks to creation and human life, it is imperative that we correctly understand, articulate, and abide by what Holy Scripture teaches on this matter.

We believe that God has created mankind in His image (Imago Dei) and that human life begins at fertilization. God, in his infinite sovereignty, uniquely formed human beings and gave them a special dignity, personal freedom, and individual accountability among all the works of creation. Human beings have been made for relationship with God and to be good and faithful stewards of creation. God created each person's inmost being, knitting each person together in his mother's womb. (Psalm 139:13) As God's individualized and personal creation, each person is fearfully and wonderfully made. (Psalm 139:14) God has ordained all the days of each person's life before they came to be. (Psalm 139:16)

### **Religious Beliefs**

Based on Holy Scripture and the constant moral teaching of the universal Church, we believe:

From the moment of fertilization until natural death, every human life is sacred because every human life has been created by God, in His image and likeness.

From the moment of fertilization, every human life must be recognized, respected, and protected as having the rights of a person and the inviolable right to life.

The right to life and physical integrity of every unborn human life is inviolable - it is not a concession made by society or the state but is instead inherent to the unborn human life by virtue of its creation in the image of God.

Because human life begins at the moment of fertilization, it is against our religious and moral conviction to formally or materially cooperate in the termination of unborn human life.

We are strongly committed to the preservation and defense of unborn human life, which compels our religious, moral, and ethical duty to defend unborn human life from destruction, whether by surgical abortion or use of drugs, devices, or services that have the intent, design, effect, or risk of terminating unborn human life or preventing its implantation and growth post-fertilization.

The Christian Church and all her ministers and ministries should publicly witness to society and to the state regarding the intrinsic, inherent, and inviolable dignity of all human life, from fertilization to natural death.

### **Application**

All of our students, parents, employees, administration, and volunteers must affirm and adhere to this Statement of Faith on the Sanctity of Human Life to qualify for involvement with the ministry of this educational institution. This is necessary to accomplish our religious mission, goals, and purpose. Behavior or counter-witnessing that does otherwise will impede and burden our integrity and religious mission, inviting scandal on this institution.

This institution believes that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and should seek redemption through confession, repentance, baptism, and faith in Jesus Christ. Consequently, students, faculty, administration, and staff must welcome and treat with respect, compassion, and sensitivity all who have endured the tragedy of abortion but are sincerely and resolutely committed to conform their behavior to this institution's Statement of Faith on Abortion.