Lesson 3.1 “Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy” (Background, Preface, & A Short Statement)

1. When and where was the Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy produced?

_The Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy was produced in 1978 at the Hyatt Regency O’Hare in Chicago._

2. According to the Preface, what is the key issue for the Christian church in every age?

_The authority of Scripture is a key issue. Those who profess to faith in Jesus Christ are called to show their discipleship by humbly and faithfully obeying God’s written Word._

3. According to the Preface, why is it important to affirm the inerrancy of Scripture?

_Reognition of the total truth and trustworthiness of Holy Scripture is essential to a full grasp and adequate confession of its authority._

4. The Statement consists of how many parts?

_The Statement consists of three parts: a Summary Statement, Articles of Affirmation and Denial, and an accompanying Exposition._

5. According to the Summary Statement (“A Short Statement”), why is Scripture true in all of its teaching?

_Because God, as the author of Scripture, is Himself Truth and speaks truth only._

6. Since Holy Scripture is God’s own Word and is true in all of its teaching, what three responsibilities does that mean for us?

_Scripture is to be believed, as God’s instruction, in all that it affirms; obeyed, as God’s command, in all that it requires; embraced, as God’s pledge, in all that it promises._

7. Is there any aspect of Scripture that contains error or fault?

_Being wholly and verbally God-given, Scripture is without error or fault in all its teaching._