

THE AXIOMS OF RELIGION¹

1. The Theological Axiom: The holy and loving God has a right to be sovereign.
2. The Religious Axiom: All souls have an equal right to direct access to God.
3. The Ecclesiastical Axiom: All believers have a right to equal privileges in the church.
4. The Moral Axiom: To be responsible (wo)men must be free.
5. The Religio-Civic Axiom: A free Church in a free State.
6. The Social Axiom: Love your neighbor as yourself

¹Herschel H. Hobbs, *The Baptist Faith and Message* (Nashville: Convention, 1989), 9.