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Whereas, "The Holy Bible has God for its author, salvation for its end & truth without any mixture of error for its matter";

And whereas, This divine Book, is the sword of the Spirit, the seed of the Kingdom & the incorruptable word of Jehovah, established forever in heaven;

And whereas, Schools Colleges and Universities that undervalue or discard the Holy Bible & the Spirit of God as its interpreter, are apt to become instruments of destruction & the very gate-ways to perdition;

And whereas, No savage tribe or heathen nation ever civilizes itself, but all progress of nations as of individuals comes from an outside inspiration, & that inspiration is the Spirit of God through the teachings of the Son of God, as revealed in the word of God;

And whereas, The conquest of this world unto Jehovah, is not likely to be accomplished except through the instrumentality of Christian Schools & Colleges, in which Christianity shall be

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the Confessed & formative principle of their whole organization Method & life, & in which it shall be the constant aim of the teachers by a truly liberal & Christian Culture

- (1) To bring young men & women to Christ,
- (2) To teach them of Christ,
- (3) To train them for Christ;

And whereas, Such truly Christian College must give actual Christian instruction, not only in other departments of sound learning & liberal culture, but specially

First, in the word of God, the greatest classic, -

Second, in the story of the Church, the greatest history, -

Third, in the doctrines of the Bible, the greatest science, -

Fourth, in Christian ethics, the noblest morality; "

And whereas, In order to this end, it is indispensable, that the President, Professors, Tutors & Teachers, (but specially the President,) - should be chosen, other things being equal, first of all because of a hearty sympathy with the above named views;

And whereas, James B. Simmons & Mary E. Simmons his wife, Robert S. Simmons & Edith H. Simmons wife of Robert S., all of the State & City of New York, are profound believers in the above

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Named principles, & desire to found a College to the honor of Jesus Christ, based upon said principles, in which to educate youth of both sexes, not only in higher learning & generous culture intellectually, but spe-
cially in the principles of Evangelical religion revealed in the Scriptures of the Old & New Testaments, more particularly as interpreted by the Missionary Baptists;

And whereas, The above named James B. Simmons has devoted nearly forty years of his life to the planting & training of Christian Churches, the founding & endowing of Christian Schools & Colleges, & the helping forward of Christian Missions both at home & abroad;

And whereas, The family of the said James B. Simmons have determined to perpetuate his memory by giving five thousand dollars in perpetual trust to some youthful Baptist College that shall bear in all future time the family name of "Simmons", after the form & style of "Simmons College", - or, if the growth of the School shall hereafter warrant it, "Simmons University";

And whereas, The Trustees of the Baptist College at Abilene in the State of Texas, have, as a corporation requested

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and do hereby request that said five thousand be given in perpetual trust to them on the terms & conditions above named;

Now Therefore, This agreement witnesseth, that the before ^{mentioned} ~~named~~ College Corporation, in consideration of the said sum of five thousand dollars to them in hand paid, by the said James B. Simmons, Mary E. Simmons, Robert S. Simmons & Edith A. Simmons, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do ^{hereby} agree to appropriate said sum as designated by the donors, & to faithfully fulfill all the terms & conditions thereof;

And, this agreement further witnesseth, that the said Corporation do hereby bind themselves & their successors in office, not only to appropriate the above named five thousand dollars, but any further sum or sums that may hereafter be given to them in trust by any or all the members of the above-named Simmons family, whether during life or by bequest, to the same high purposes of Evangelical Christian Education, under the perpetual auspices & control of the denomination commonly known as Missionary Bap-

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tists or anti-paedobaptists;

And this agreement witnesseth
finally, that the Said College Corpora-
tion do hereby bind themselves and
their successors unto the Said James
B. Simons, Mary V. Simons, Robert
S. Simons & Edith H. Simons, &
unto their heirs & assigns forever, to
administer the above named Trust, or
cause it to be administered, & to con-
duct the above named "Simons College"
or cause it to be conducted, perpetu-
ally, in accordance with the wish pur-
pose & intention of the donors of
Said fund, ^{as herein expressed,} & in accordance with
the Charter of Said Institution, &
for no other purpose whatsoever.

In witness whereof, the Said Corpo-
ration has caused its Corporate
Seal to be hereto affixed, and