



a series to help us think, talk, and act

ISSUE 2.1
POSITIONAL STATEMENTS

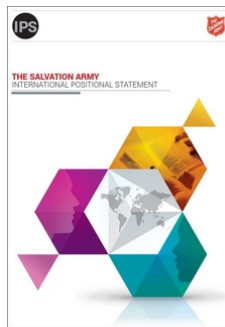


What does The Salvation Army say about . . . ?

International position statements (IPSS) offer official moral and social views of The Salvation Army. They address topics important to Salvation Army beliefs, ministries, and the people we serve.

Each IPS is richly grounded in theological and biblical truths, showing how principles link truth to practical action. A regular review process ensures IPSs remain responsive to what is currently going on in the world around us.

If Salvationists are called on to represent an official position, we rely on IPSs. The Salvation Army accepts that we don't all agree with everything expressed in a given IPS. They are not doctrines or creeds, so we are not required to accept them as personal moral positions. However, considering them closely can help us shape what we believe and why we believe it.



"Should I not be concerned?"

Jonah 4:11 (NRSV)

The book of Jonah ends with this question. God says all things matter. His concern extends to all people, cities, lands, and animals. And God's question suggests we should be concerned about them too.

The Salvation Army's international positional statements attempt to answer God's question.

Take a look at the IPS site
with a friend.
What topics are covered?
Choose a statement to read
together.
What stands out most to you?



Why should The Salvation Army speak up on these topics?

Are there other topics you think should be covered?

Before being approved by the General, IPSs are crafted by the International Moral and Social Issues Committee (IMASIC). Currently chaired by Canadian Colonel Dr. Wendy Swan, IMASIC includes officers and soldiers from around the globe who bring expertise and skillsets suited to the task.



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