

THE TRUTH ON TRUTH

John 18:18

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INTRODUCTION

- A. How would you answer Pilate? How essential is truth? How does it affect you?
- B. Without truth, none of us would exist. The physical universe operated on fixed truths.
- C. It is vital for us to know that the God, who is there, is a God of Truth. "That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes." IS 65:16.
- D. His truthfulness is fixed. "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;" TS 1:2.
- E. Everything, therefore, rests upon Him. "The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good." PS 14:1. "The way of a fool *is* right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel *is* wise." PR 12:15.
- I. ALL SPIRITUAL TRUTH IS PERCEIVED THROUGH THE BIBLE. JN 1:17; 17:17.
 - A. God's Word is indestructible, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." MT 24:35, Multi-dimensional, "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven." PS 119:89, Pure, "Every word of God *is* pure: he *is* a shield unto them that put their trust in him." PR 30:5, and powerful, "For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." HE 4:12.
 - B. Through it the Creator speaks to His creation. JN 5:19-24. It set us free from religious error. JN 8:32. Remakes our hearts, "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently." 1 PE 1:22. Cleanses us from sin. JN 17:17. IF we will believe and obey it. "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me." JN 14:23-24.
- II. TO REALIZE THE TRUTH ABOUT TRUTH, YOU ONLY HAVE TO IMAGE A WORLD WITHOUT TRUTH.
 - A. Can you and I do that? Simply put, such a world could not exist. Even error needs to be surrounded by truth for error to exit. Yet, there is a world where only truth exists. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:" MT 6:19-20.
 - B. You cannot earn a position in this realm, but you can inherit it as a gift. "For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." RO 6:23.
 - C. But you must obey the truth. 1 PE 1:22.

CONCLUSION

- A. MK 16:15, 16; Acts 2:38; RO 10:10; 1 PE 3:21; Acts 2:47; 1 TI 3:15; 2 TI 2:15; 2:1:1.
- B. "Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault *at all*." JN 18:38.