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Truth in a Culture of Confusion

Post-truth means “relating to circumstances in which objective facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and personal belief”.

We live in a culture where everyone has a right to form their own version of truth which fits with their opinions and lifestyle.

Christians are called to live in the world, while knowing they are not of the world and are to be set apart by truth.

Sadly, today, many live in the world, as the world and are led by their feelings and preferences.

More than ever today, our society needs to know that there is an objective source of truth and we need to return to that source.

📖 John 8:31-38

❖ The Source of Truth is God.

“...He who sent Me is trustworthy, and what I have heard from Him I tell the world.” John 8:26

God is **trustworthy**; He will not deceive or mislead you.

- God the Father has always kept His promises.
- Jesus shows us by His actions that He is faithful.
- The Holy Spirit always speaks truth into our lives.

We need to be alert to the schemes of the evil one and be committed to God as the source of truth who is completely trustworthy.

❖ It is possible to know the truth.

“...If you hold to My teaching, you are really My disciples. Then you will **know** the truth, ...” John 8:31-32

God is truth. To know Him is to know truth.

If it is possible to know the truth, then you need to **search** for the truth.

Jesus lived the truth and He exposed lies.

The only way for us to live the truth is to know the truth through a living relationship with Jesus Christ.

❖ Jesus, the truth, sets you free.

The seducing lies of Satan deceive us into believing we are free when, in reality, we are trapped.

“...the truth will set you **free**. If the Son sets you **free** you will be **free** indeed.” John 8:32 & 36

We think that God wants to rob us of our freedom when all the time He wants us to live in freedom.

❖ We are called to live the truth.

“Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God.” John 8:47. “Whoever claims to live in Him must live as Jesus did.” 1 John 2:6

The truth is not something that you weaponize; it is something you **wear**.

We submit to God’s truth in all areas of our lives and we become living statements of His truth as we reflect Him.

The world needs more than a public statement; it needs people who are being humbled by His grace and who demonstrate His truth by loving others as Christ loves us.

Don’t simply demand the change, be the change!