



What is Truth?

Wide Angle – Part 2

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Four Symptoms of Truth DECAY...

- IMMORALITY
- UNREALITY
- IDOLATRY
- INJUSTICE

The Question that Settles ALL OTHERS: How Can I KNOW the Truth?

• **Truth is Correspondence with REALITY: The MODERN Notion**

*Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true.
John 4:37*

Non-contradiction: It Is or it ISN'T...

• **Are YOUR Truths the Same as MINE? The POSTMODERN Problem**

"What is truth?" Pilate asked. John 18:38

Perspective: One Size Does NOT Fit All!

• **A Way of LIFE: The MORAL Measure of Truth**

But those who live by the truth... John 3:21a

Consequence: What if We ALL Did It?

• **The AHA! Moment of Truth: The Necessity of DIVINE Action**

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only [Son], who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

God Said It, I Believe It, That SETTLES It!

• **Truth is a PERSON: The CHRISTIAN Concept**

I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6

"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31b-32

In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me. John 18:37b

Encounter: What Do You Do with JESUS?

What Should I DO with the Truth?

• **BELIEVE It**

The man who saw it has given testimony, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, and he testifies so that you also may believe. John 19:35

• **PRACTICE It**

Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own. John 7:17

• **SPREAD It**

When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning. John 15:26-27