

WHAT IS TRUTH?

John 18:36-38

Introduction:

1. Pilate was one of the last to have intelligent discourse with our Lord before His DBR.
 2. The question is raised, "What is truth?"
 3. "Truth is not contingent upon one's belief in it, altered by the words one chooses to describe it, or wounded by neglect. It is simply truth."
- P. Many have different views concerning the truth.
- I. What are some of the qualities that define the truth?
- T. Three qualities of truth include:
- I. TRUTH IS ABSOLUTE
 - A. SOME BELIEVE IT IS RELATIVE
 1. There is absolute truth –i.e. Grass is green, rocks are hard, & what goes up must come down
 2. E.g. Three buckets of water with various temperatures.
 - B. THE BIBLE IS ABSOLUTE TRUTH
 1. It is inspired of God -2Ti 3:16-17
 2. God cannot lie –He 6:18, Ti 1:2
 3. We can be certain of the truth of the Word for our salvation -1Jn 5:13
 - II. TRUTH DOES NOT ALTER
 - A. MAN OFTEN TRIES TO ALTER
 1. E.g. Death of the man of God -1Ki 13
 2. Man may speak falsehood concerning the Word
 - a. Paul warned –Ac 20:28-31
 - b. Peter also warned -2Pe 3:16
 - B. THE TRUTH IS COMPLETE
 1. Any new revelation is to be rejected –Ga 1:8-9
 2. The word is complete -1Co 13:8-10, Jn 16:13, 2Pe 1:3
 - III. TRUTH IS SEEN IN JESUS
 - A. HIS WORD IS TRUTH
 1. If anyone abides in His word –Jn 8:31-32
 2. Sin puts one into captivity –Jn 8:34-36, Ro 6:16
 - B. TRUTH OF JESUS SETS US FREE
 1. As there is only one truth, there is only one Savior –Jn 14:6, Ac 4:12
 2. Jesus has...
 - a. Revealed the Father –Jn 14:7-11
 - b. Paved the way to salvation – 2Co 5:18-19
 - c. Become our forerunner –He 6:19-20

Conclusion:

1. To find salvation our faith must be in the only source for it; that source is Jesus Christ
2. To forfeit Jesus is to forfeit salvation.