

MESSY TRUTH

1 Corinthians 13:6

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Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth...

Truth is essential for negotiating the challenges of life.

Love does not take pleasure in any kind of evil.

Instead, love does the exact opposite – love rejoices with/in the truth. Love JOINS and PARTNERS with the truth

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me

LOVE HONORS TRUTH!

Love does not delight in evil... Love is not excited and does not find satisfaction or enjoyment when other people go wrong.

This is the essence of gossip/unhealthy criticism

GOSSIP AND CRITICAL ATTITUDES ARE DANGEROUS

Love does not delight in evil...

Proverbs 6:16-19 *There are six things that the Lord hates, seven that are an abomination to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that make haste to run to evil, a false witness who breathes out lies, and one who sows discord among brothers.*

What Do These Publications Say About Our Culture?

Gossip Media is currently a Multi-Billion Dollar Industry



LOVE REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH

Philippians 1:12-16 And I want you to know, my dear brothers and sisters, that everything that has happened to me here has helped to spread the Good News. For everyone here, including the whole palace guard, knows that I am in chains because of Christ. And because of my imprisonment, most of the believers here have gained confidence and boldly speak God's message without fear. It's true that some are preaching out of jealousy and rivalry. But others preach about Christ with pure motives. They preach because they love me, for they know I have been appointed to defend the Good News.

LOVE REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH

Philippians 1:17-19 Those others do not have pure motives as they preach about Christ. They preach with selfish ambition, not sincerely, intending to make my chains more painful to me. But that doesn't matter. Whether their motives are false or genuine, the message about Christ is being preached either way, so I rejoice. And I will continue to rejoice. For I know that as you pray for me and the Spirit of Jesus Christ helps me, this will lead to my deliverance (NLT).

LOVE REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH

If there is an erosion of truth, there will be an erosion of trust. Love always protects. Love doesn't attack. Love goes out of its way to protect. Love always trusts and is prepared to give the benefit of the doubt over and over again. Love hopes, which means that love is prepared to hope for the best. Love perseveres. The net result is that love never fails. What that means is that love keeps on keeping on.

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me. In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, this cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes (NKJV).