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# "The Audacity of Truth"

"Countdown America: 58 Days of Prayer & Fasting" - Pt. 3 John 14:6, 16:5-15 and Selected

The Gospel is the audacity of Truth in a culture gone wild apart from God!

#### Because of the Audacity of Truth...

I. The culture will always feel attacked, offended and threatened by Truth.

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

"For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ." John 1:17

- All truth begins with God.
- All truth is sustained by God.
- All truth is God's truth.

See John 8:42-47

II. The Church must boldly risk everything to reach a culture gone crazy!

The Audacious Gospel Says that...

#### 1) Truth creates!

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

Genesis 1:1

"Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send Him to you.... When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth!" John 16:7, 13a

#### 2) Truth convicts!

"And when He comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment." John 16:8

#### 3) Truth guides!

"When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth."

John 16:13a

#### 4) Truth shares!

"He will glorify me, for He will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that He will take what is mine and declare it to you." Vs. 14-15

### 5) Truth saves!

"You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32

"So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

John 8:36

"And there is salvation in no else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Acts 4:12

See 1 Timothy 2:3-6