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**Title:** No More Fake News

**Scripture:** John 3:16

**Series:** Think Ahead

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“French Open Player Takes Emergency Bathroom Break Mid-Match, Begs Umpire: ‘I’m Going to Go on the Court’” (2026)

- *True News*

“NBA Player Misses Game-Winning Shot Because He Tripped Over His Untied Shoelace in Final Seconds” (1957)

- *Fake News*

“Olympic Rower Stops Mid-Race to Let Family of Ducks Swim By” (1928)

- *True News*

## What is truth?

**John 18:38a ESV**

38 Pilate said to him, “What is truth?” After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, “I find no guilt in him.”

## What is truth?

*“Sometimes the truth doesn’t always make sense. Sometimes it doesn’t always feel good, but the truth always brings freedom.” — Sam Marin*

**The world is full of \_\_\_\_\_ news; God’s Word is full of \_\_\_\_\_ news**

**John 3:16 ESV**

16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

**John 3:1 ESV**

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews.

**John 3:2 ESV**

2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.”

**John 3:3-5 ESV**

3 Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" 5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

**John 3:9 ESV**

9 Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?"

**John 3:16 ESV**

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"How can I be \_\_\_\_\_?"

\_\_\_\_\_ it as Fake News

\_\_\_\_\_ it as True News

The difference between \_\_\_\_\_ the truth and \_\_\_\_\_ in truth has eternal implications.

"What am I going to do with the truth of Jesus?"

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\_\_\_\_\_ it as Fake News

\_\_\_\_\_ it as True News

\_\_\_\_\_ it as Good News

The world is full of \_\_\_\_\_ news; but Jesus offers us \_\_\_\_\_ news. Will you believe him?