

Your Truth, My Truth, & The Truth

There is no power on earth more formidable than the truth.

- Margaret Runbeck

### truth with a small "t"

"I think Rocky Road ice cream is delicious." True False

**Subjective truth** is true for the subject. When stated as an absolute truth, it is best understood as an **opinion**.

# Truth with a capital "T'

"Rocky Road Ice Cream cures diabetes." True False

**Objective truth** is absolute and based on reality; it must therefore be either true or false.

### Example:

"I think Rocky Road Ice Cream cures diabetes."

1) Subjective truth 2) Objective Truth 3) Opinion

True False

"Truth exists; only falsehood has to be invented."

Georges Brague

Absolute truth is true for all people, in all places, at all times.

Absolute truth is **independent** of what anyone **believes**.

#### Isaiah 45:19

I, the LORD, speak the truth; I declare what is right.

John 14:6-7

"I am the way and **the truth** and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well."

John 18:37

"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."

## Sharing An Absolute

The claims of the Gospel sound foolish if understood as a **subjective** rather than an **objective** truth.

1 Corinthians 1:18

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

# Truth's Impact

"We love the truth when it enlightens us, but hate it when it convicts us."

Augustine

Show me your ways, LORD, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

Psalm 25:4-5

Knowing about God is not knowing God, BUT you cannot know God without knowing about God.