

## Lesson One The Importance of Truth

### John 8:31-32 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>31</sup> Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

<sup>32</sup> And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

#### I. The Nature of the Enemy

##### A. Father of Lies

**John 8:44** <sup>44</sup>Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

##### B. Hath God Said?

**Genesis 3:1** Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

##### C. The Spirit of the Antichrist

**1 John 2:22** <sup>22</sup>Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

*The Spirit of the Anti-Christ opposes Christ*

*The Spirit of the Anti-Christ opposes all TRUTH*

## II. The Nature of God

### A. Scriptures that Reveal God's Nature of Truth

**Isaiah 65:16 KJV** <sup>16</sup>That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the and he that sweareth in the earth shall God of truth; swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.

**John 3:33 KJV** <sup>33</sup>He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.

**John 8:26 KJV** <sup>26</sup>I have many things to say and to judge of you: but he that sent me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I have heard of him

**1 John 5:20 KJV** <sup>20</sup>And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life

**John 1:14 KJV**

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth

## III. The Nature of The Word of God

**John 17:14-19 KJV** <sup>14</sup>I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup>I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. <sup>16</sup>They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

**A. Two Lessons from John 17:14-19**

1. The Word of God is TRUE
2. The Word of God SANCTIFIES
  - a. *Sanctify -To make holy; set apart as sacred; consecrate;To set apart for God's use and purpose*

*John 8:32 <sup>32</sup>And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*

**IV. The Truth and Believers**

**A. The Spirit and Truth**

**John 4:23-24 kjv** <sup>23</sup>But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

<sup>24</sup>God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

**John 14:6 kjv** <sup>6</sup>Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me

**John 14:17 kjv** <sup>17</sup>Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you

**John 16:13 kjv** <sup>13</sup>Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

**B. Truth is the Key**

1. Truth is the key to possessing our inheritance in Christ
  - a. The Truth you know makes you free
  - b. To the degree that you are weak in truth, you will be conformed to this world and will not inherit your blessings
  - c. You can't be in faith unless you are in truth.

2. We need to understand the \_\_\_\_\_ -
  - a. Truth about God
  - b. Truth about ourselves
  - c. Truth about the enemy
  - d. Truth about authority
  - e. Truth about faith
  - f. Truth about righteousness
  - g. Truth about grace
  - h. Truth about our inheritance

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***Wherever there is a lack of truth – there is a lack of blessing!***

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