
Does Truth Really Matter?

Romans 1:18

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Romans 1:18: "For God's wrath is being revealed from heaven against all the ungodliness and wickedness of those who in their wickedness suppress the truth."

Introduction: What is truth?

John 18:37-38: "Jesus told him. "I was born into this world to tell about the truth. And everyone who belongs to the truth knows my voice." Pilate asked Jesus, "What is truth?" Pilate went back out and said, "I don't find this man guilty of anything."

I. Human View Of Truth

- A. The Correspondence Theory of Truth: Truth then is based only on what we can touch see, feel, hear, and ascertain from the natural world.
- B. The Coherence Theory of Truth: Truth is whatever you believe it to be as long as it is consistent with your belief system.
- C. The Pragmatic Theory of Truth: Truth is whatever works for you and the circumstance around you.
- D. Determining Truth:
 - Facts
 - Perceptions/Opinions
 - Feelings
 - Authority Figures
 - Personal Experience

II. Biblical View Of Truth

"Truth is that which is consistent with the mind, will, character, glory, and being of God. Truth is the self-expression of God." ~ John MacArthur

- A. God's Character
- B. Jesus
- C. God's Holy Word
- D. God's Creation
- E. Human Conscience

III. Truth Matters

- A. In This Life: The foundation for all real functional human relationships and societies – separating humanity from animals,
- B. In The Next Life: The foundation for access to Heaven - Jesus clearly stated, "No one comes to God the Father except through me."
- C. All Truth Is God's Truth: He is the author and creator of truth and the sole judge of it. He gave us Jesus as the embodiment of His truth and His Holy Word as our standard of what His truth is. You have a choice ... you can reject God's truth and deal with the ugly consequences, or you can accept His truth that Jesus is the only way to heaven and live with Him in Paradise when you leave this world.

Conclusion: There are only those two choices and that is the God honest truth! The choice is yours.