

I am the Truth

“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.” Jn. 14:6

The Setting

- Night before the Crucifixion (John 14-17)
- The Lord Christ makes several bold assertions
 - “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.”
 - “If you know Me, you know my Father.”
 - “I am in the Father, and the Father in Me.”
- The way to eternal life with the Father is only through the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Truth

- Everyone is looking for the Truth
- Philosophy
- What is the truth about man?
- Who is God?
- What is the purpose or meaning of my life?
- What's the truth about evil?

Pontius Pilate

- “You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and **for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth.** Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.” Pilate said to Him, **“What is truth?”** And **when he had said this, he went out** again to the Jews, and said to them, “I find no fault in Him at all.” (Jn. 18:37-38)

Who is God?

The Truth of God

- St. Paul before the Areopagus
- “Therefore, the One whom you worship without knowing, Him I proclaim to you: God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. 25 Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things.”
(Acts 17:23-25)

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- John 14
- “Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.” (Jn. 14:8)
- “He who has seen Me has seen the Father...Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me?” (Jn. 14:9-10)

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- Creator
- Omnipresent
- Not in need of anything
- Life-giver

Who am I?

The Truth of Man

- The product of chance and time?
- “So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him.” (Gen. 1:27)
- “And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man.” (1 Cor. 15:49)
- Man will not know his purpose without the Son of Man
- Jesus Christ is truly God and truly Man

What is the purpose of life?

The Truth of Life

- What is my purpose?
- “Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.” (Is. 22:13)
- “I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.” (Jn. 10:10)
- “As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.” (Jn. 20:21)
- A life without purpose is meaningless

Spirit of Truth

- God gave us two things to preserve His truth on earth
- The Holy Spirit
 - “But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.” (Jn. 15:26)

Spirit of Truth

- The Church

“...the church of the living God, **the pillar and ground of the truth**. And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:

God was manifested in the flesh,
Justified in the Spirit,
Seen by angels,
Preached among the Gentiles,
Believed on in the world,
Received up in glory.” (1 Tim. 3:15)