

Truth Matters  
(John 18:28-40; 1 Corinthians 15:3-6)  
Quench Life Christian Fellowship  
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A. What is \_\_\_\_\_?

Truth - a concept for which the OT has no distinct word. The word generally used means constant, permanent, faithful, reliable. (*Harper's Bible Dictionary*)

B. What are some key things \_\_\_\_\_ about truth?

1. Truth is an \_\_\_\_\_.

*Exodus 34:6 **And the Lord passed before him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth. NKJV***

*James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, **coming down from the Father** of the heavenly lights, **who does not change** like shifting shadows.*

*John 15:26a **"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth... NIV***

2. Truth is an attribute of \_\_\_\_\_.

*John 15:26-27 **"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth** who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. <sup>27</sup> **And you also must testify**, for you have been with me from the beginning. NIV*

*John 14:16-17 And I will ask the Father, and he will **give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—** <sup>17</sup> **the Spirit of truth**. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, **for he lives with you and will be in you.** NIV*

C. What \_\_\_\_\_ when truth \_\_\_\_\_ matter?

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ may be treated as if they are \_\_\_\_\_.

*John 18:38-40a Pilate said, "What is truth?" After he said this, he went out to the crowd again and said to them, **"I find nothing against this man.** <sup>39</sup> **But it is your custom that I free one prisoner to you at Passover time. Do you want me to free the 'king of the Jews'?"** <sup>40</sup> **They shouted back, "No, not him!... NCV***

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ may be treated as if they are \_\_\_\_\_.

John 18:39-40 *But it is your custom that I free one prisoner to you at Passover time. Do you want me to free the 'king of the Jews?'"* <sup>40</sup> **They shouted back, "No, not him! Let Barabbas go free!" (Barabbas was a robber.)** NCV

3. The next \_\_\_\_\_ may be negatively impacted.

Matthew 27:24-25 *When Pilate saw that he could not prevail at all, but rather that a tumult was rising, he took water and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, "I am innocent of the blood of this just Person. You see to it."* <sup>25</sup> **And all the people answered and said, "His blood be on us and on our children."** NKJ

4. The \_\_\_\_\_ who ever lived was crucified.

John 19:14-16 *It was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about noon. "Here is your king," Pilate said to the Jews.* <sup>15</sup> *But they shouted, "Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!" "Shall I crucify your king?" Pilate asked. "We have no king but Caesar," the chief priests answered.* <sup>16</sup> **Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.** NIV

D. What can happen when \_\_\_\_\_ ?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ will be \_\_\_\_\_.

1 John 4:1-3, <sup>6</sup> *Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.* <sup>2</sup> *This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God,* <sup>3</sup> *but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.* <sup>6</sup> *We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.* NIV

2. People can \_\_\_\_\_.

John 14:6-7a *Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."* <sup>7</sup> *If you really know me, you will know my Father as well...* NIV

3. Believers will be \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_.

John 8:31-32 *To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples."* <sup>32</sup> *Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."* NIV

4. Some will \_\_\_\_\_ from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:3-6 *For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,* <sup>4</sup> *that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,* <sup>5</sup> *and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve.* <sup>6</sup> *After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.* NIV