Faith and Love C.O.G.I.C Bible Band Lesson 12 September 3, 2024 JESUS' WORD IS TRUTH



- ► Background Reading:
 - ▶ Psalm 33:4; 100:5; 145:18
 - ▶ Proverbs 16:6
 - ▶ John 4:24; 18:38
 - ▶ Philippians 1:16
 - ▶ 1 John 2:4; 21
 - ▶ 3 John 1:3
 - ▶ Ephesians 5:9

- ► Devotional Reading:
 - ► Mark 5:25-33



Background Reading: Psalm 33:4; 100:5; 145:18

Psalm 33:4 For the word of the Lord is right; and all his works are done in truth.

Psalm 100:5 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

Psalm 145:18 The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.



Background Reading: Proverbs 16:6

6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the Lord men depart from evil.



Background Reading: John 4:24; 18:38

4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

18:38 Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all.



Background Reading: Philippians 1:15-17

15 Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will:

16 The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds:

17 But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel.



Background Reading: 1 John 2:4; 21; 3 John 1:3-4

1 John 2:4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

1 John 2:21 I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.

3 John 3 For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth.

4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.



Background Reading: Ephesians 5:9

9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)



Devotional Reading: Mark 5:25-33

25 And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years,

28 For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.

26 And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse,

29 And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

27 When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment.

30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?



Devotional Reading: Mark 5:25-33

31 And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

32 And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing.

33 But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.



Central Verse: John 17:17, KJV

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.



INTRODUCTION

Truth is who and what Jesus is for He said that He was the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes to the Father, but by Him. (John 14:6). Webster dictionary defines truth as the body of real things, events and facts; it means actuality, the state of being the case: fact, a transcendent fundamental or spiritual reality; judgment, proposition, or idea that is true or accepted as true.



INTRODUCTION

The question concerning truth has been asked throughout the ages. Pilate asked Jesus if He was a King, Jesus answered him, you say that I am a king, which is why I was born, for I came into the world to bear witness to the truth and everyone that is of truth, hears my voice. Then Pilate asked the question, what is truth? (John 18:38). Jesus had already answered that question, when He told His disciples that He was the way, the truth, and the life.



INTRODUCTION

John told the believers that in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. The Word of the Lord is right; all his works are done in truth (Psalm 33:4). It is an established fact that Jesus is the Word, and the Word is Truth. Truth is the opposite of lies, God hates lies, but He desires truth, for God never lies (<u>Titus</u> 1:2). In the Church of God in Christ, we believe that the Scriptures are the only infallible Word of God, for we believe in the truth of God's Word.



DISCUSSION

In the Bible, truth is revealed as a moral concept rooted in God's character. Romans 3:4 says "Let God be true, but every man a liar". Isaiah 65:16 says God is not only true, but He is the God of truth, and Psalm 100:5 says His truth endures forever. God's truthfulness embraces His steadfast love, His trustworthiness, affirms that His truth can be trusted, and His truth speaks of His faithfulness. God's Word demonstrates His truth in His Words, actions, and His dealings.



DISCUSSION

He is not a man, so He cannot lie, His Word is always true, because His Word is completely dependable. God is a Spirit and must be worshipped in spirit and in truth. He is searching for believers who will worship Him in spirit and in truth. He also wants believers who will stand for truth and righteousness, for this will cause us to walk in truth. We must be so into truth, that when a lie comes our way, we will automatically reject it. We know that the lie came from the devil because Jesus said the devil was a liar from the beginning. Truth and righteousness comes from God.



DISCUSSION

His Word cannot fail, Heaven and earth may pass away, but the Word of the Lord is absolute, it will stand forever. God's Word is rooted and grounded in truth, it is dependable and consistent in the character of God. The third part of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, is the Spirit of truth who dwells within us and leads us into all truth. The Gospel message is truth, for it is the good news of salvation, and it holds the sanctifying power for us.



CONCLUSION

Since the Bible is truth, we should spend time studying it, praying the Word, living the Word and sharing the Word with others. We should do everything that we can to understand the truth of God's Word through Sunday School, bible study, and pastoral teaching. We need to learn to meditate on God's Word day and night so we can have good success in all that we do. Psalm 145:18 says the Lord is nigh unto them that call upon Him, to all that call upon Him in truth.



CONCLUSION

When we are truthful to God about our situation, He will help us. When David allowed his flesh to get him in trouble, he committed adultery and then murder. Only after he allowed himself to recognize the truth of his situation, could he repent and be set free by God. Knowing God's Word has brought freedom to us, and we should spend time sharing it with our family, friends, and enemies so that they too can become free. Mercy and truth purge men from iniquity. The more people who receive the truth, the better the world will become.



CONCLUSION

The woman who had the issue of blood and sought deliverance from many doctors but only got worse. Someone must have told her about Jesus because she decided to go find Him and touch the hem of His garment. She left her home and got in the crowd that was following Him until she got close enough to touch Him. When she touched Him, He felt the virtue go out of Him, so He turned and asked, who touched my clothes?



CONCLUSION

He looked around to see who had touched Him. The woman became fearful, knowing what she had done, came and fell before Him and told Him the truth. Jesus turned and told her that her faith had made her whole. When the woman told Jesus the truth, it released something inside of her and her faith began to work, and she was healed. Only knowing the truth and recognizing the truth will bring freedom to believers.



ESSENTIAL THOUGHT

Truth will work for us when we are truthful.



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Lesson 2

Learning to Praise God in and Through

Everything

