Does TRUTH Matter?

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In todays society your watching (witnessing) the Death of TRUTH! The death of TRUTH has lead the world to psychological confusion and mental diseases that cause a breakdown in society. The people are doodling with their own ideas of truth. When TRUTH is removed there are no standards to judge by. This gives rise to two evils; (the fear of man and fear of evil spirits). Every action by man becomes relative; that is, truth becomes what each person thinks it is. This creates great confusion in every aspect of life; (scientific confusion, entertainment confusion, social confusion, political confusion, gender confusion, spiritual confusion); as people listen to the confused social media (confused people leading a confused audience) society will eventually be destroyed. TRUTH can Only come from GOD!

And he (*JESUS*) spake a parable unto them, <u>Can the blind lead the blind</u>? <u>shall they not both fall into the ditch</u>? (Luke 6:39)

Pilate is a type of the world today, they cannot understand the TRUTH.

There are only two types of people God recognizes (Saved and Un-Saved). Many rich and famous people today have no idea they are lost sinners and going to Hell! And many poor people realize they need Jesus and going to Heaven.

Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice. Pilate saith unto him, What is truth?

(John 18:37,38)

What is TRUTH? That is the World's Question!

God declares that <u>His WORD is TRUTH</u>, the HOLY SPIRIT declares <u>Himself to be TRUTH</u>. And JESUS declares HE is the source of both. God is the Only One that can Judge Righteously, God is the Only One that has <u>ABSOLUTE TRUTH</u>! There is <u>Only One</u> ABSOLUTE TRUTH but <u>it manifests itself in Three Ways</u>:

- 1. The WORD thy Word is Truth: (John 17:17)
- **2.** The SPIRIT He is called the Spirit of Truth: (John 14:17, 15:26, 16:13)
- 3. Jesus Christ I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)

What has Happened throughout Earth's History?

Humanity has been deceived throughout it's 6000 years or 7 Dispensations. Throughout human History God's great enemy has deluded, deceived, and tried to destroy God's people (Jews and Gentiles)! Satan's nature is to Steal, to Kill, and to Destroy. His main strategy is to blind people of God's TRUTH (the Bible). Without TRUTH we have no direction, no understanding, no protection, and no foundation of right and wrong in which to stand on! That evil serpent has used man's own institutions to corrupt their minds (News Media, Entertainment, Disney World, Hollywood Movies, Politics, Government, False Ministers, False Churches, Lost Families and Friends, etc...). Man's Ignorance of God is how Satan attains his victories.

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge (understanding): because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will I change their glory into shame. (Hos. 4:6,7)

What About the Church, Has it been Affected?

Examine the Parable of the Man who Sowed Good Seed in His Field

Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn. (Matt. 13:24-30)

Who is the man that sowed the good seed, and what is His field?

The man that sowed the Good seed was Jesus, and His field was the whole world.

While men slept His enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat!

The men that slept is His Church, the enemy was satan, and the wheat was God's saved people. The tares were satan's false unsaved people.

Let the Tares and the Wheat Grow together till the Harvest Lest you root up the Good wheat along with the worthless tares!

The man that sowed the good seed was concerned about the well being of His harvest, lest the reapers also uproot some of His Good Seed.

The Man who sowed the Good seed told the reapers to store the Wheat in His Barn and Burn the Tares!

The reapers are the Angels, let them grow until the harvest means the end of the Church age, gather the tares and burn them means the evil unsaved people, and the wheat into His barn means the saved that accepted Christ as their Savior.

So YES, God's Church has been Greatly Effected

Satan knows he can't confront and defeat God and His <u>True</u> Church, so he devised a clever evil scheme to get around confronting God. He said to himself, I'll mix my seed with God's seed to deceive and confuse the people until it's to late! The Church as a whole today doesn't know what the Gospel is and the power it contains. Jesus seems to be outside His Church knocking trying to get in (Laodiceans). Satan has planted many false pastors, teachers, prophets, evangelists, apostles, and leaders, in God's own sheep pen, and most saints can't tell the difference (no spiritual discernment). Satan strikes fast like a snake and quickly spreads his poisonous lies to deceive and destroy the Church. God's Grace then becomes an excuse for immorality and sin, saying, God's love excuses you to sin, don't worry brother, you don't have to repent, God understands. They cleverly twist the Word of God to mean something it was never intended to say, turning it into false doctrine or heresy.

For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. (Jude 4,5)

These men are blemishes at your love feasts, eating with you without the slightest qualm shepherds who feed only themselves. They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind; autumn trees, without fruit and uprooted twice dead. They are wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame; wandering stars, for whom blackest darkness has been reserved forever. (Jude 12,13)

These are grumblers, finding fault, following after their own lusts; they speak arrogantly, flattering people for the sake of gaining an advantage. (Jude 16)

These are the ones who cause divisions, worldly-minded, devoid of the Spirit. But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life. (Jude 19-21) NASB

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. (Matt. 7:15)

For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works. (2 Cor. 11:13-15)

He writes the same way in all his letters, speaking in them of these matters.

His letters contain some things that are hard to understand, which ignorant and unstable people distort, as they do the other Scriptures, to their own destruction. Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

(2 Pet. 3:16-18) NIV

THE PARABLE of the SOWER and SOIL (Mark 4:1-9) with explanation: Notice, 1 out of the 4 seeds bore Fruit!

And He said to them, "**Do you not understand this parable** (TRUTH)? **How will you understand all the parables**? "The sower sows the word.

"These are the ones who are beside the road where the word is sown; and when they hear, immediately Satan comes and takes away the word which has been sown in them. "And in a similar way these are the ones sown with seed on the rocky places, who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy; and yet they have no firm root in themselves, but are only temporary; then, when affliction or persecution occurs because of the word, immediately they fall away. "And others are the ones sown with seed among the thorns; these are the ones who have heard the word, but the worries of the world, and the deceitfulness of wealth, and the desires for other things enter and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. "And those are the ones sown with seed on the good soil; and they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty, sixty, and a hundred times as much." (Mark 4:13-20) NASB

The World's Deception of Truth:

<u>Rationalism</u> - a belief or theory that opinions and actions should be based on man's reason and knowledge rather than on belief in God or emotional response: Scientific rationalism; a philosophy or theory that intellectual reason rather than experience with God is the foundation of the certainty in knowledge:

<u>Pragmatism</u> - Philosophy or approach that assesses the truth of the meaning of theories or beliefs in terms of the success of their practical application. In other words, truth is what works if it works it is true. Forget GOD.

God's Opinion of Man's truth:

In todays schools of higher learning, the classes are full of intellectual idiots. Examine man's intellectual decisions throughout History. We are so smart we have contaminated the entire planet (water, air, and land). Our brightest minds are so smart they have created weapons that can destroy the entire Earth twenty times over. Historical evidence proves how stupid man can become without God!

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of people who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, that is, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, being understood by what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their reasonings, and their senseless hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and they exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible mankind, of birds, four-footed animals, and crawling creatures. Therefore God gave them up to vile impurity in the lusts of their hearts, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. For they exchanged the truth of God for falsehood, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged natural relations for that which is contrary to nature, and likewise the men, too, abandoned natural relations with women and burned in their desire toward one another, males with males committing shameful acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error. And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a deprayed mind, to do those things that are not proper, people having been filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, and evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, and malice; they are gossips, slanderers, haters of God, insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, without understanding, untrustworthy, unfeeling, and unmerciful; and although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also approve of those who practice them. (Rom. 1:18-32) NASB

The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness. (2 Th. 2:9-12) ESVB

Notice, because they hated the TRUTH, God Himself will send them strong delusion so they believe a lie and be damned to Hell forever! God has made Himself evident to every person born on Earth so they are without excuse. But they loved sin and darkness more than God and light. This is why the world is like it is, some men have sunk into great darkness and immorality.

And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. (John 3:19)

Only God Qualifies to be the Perfect Standard for TRUTH

Biblical definition of TRUTH - it is the <u>Absolute Standard</u> by which reality is measured! TRUTH sits outside of creation, and man cannot change what it is. How you feel does not change the TRUTH, your opinions or thoughts don't change the TRUTH. TRUTH is based on God's Standard.

And <u>ye shall know the truth</u>, and <u>the truth shall make you free</u>. (John 8:32) *Example*; 1+1=2. this cannot change it is a fixed standard in Math. Like wise the fixed standard for TRUTH is GOD, He cannot change. Men can never become women biologically, men cannot carry babies they don't have wombs!

Demons Have a School of Education (Lies, Delusion, and Deception) And most of humanity is enrolled in it! In todays world people live out a lie and it is completely natural. They say, "everyone lies so it's the normal thing to do." In many jobs it's the only way to survive (politicians, lawyers, and car salesmen)!

Evil Can Only Exist When TRUTH is not Known or Denied.

Satan deceives the people by using partial Truths. **ABSOLUTE TRUTH Must**Come From an ABSOLUTE Source (GOD). TRUTH must be Perfect, it cannot have mistakes or excuses! Everything else is guess work. So, to get rid of TRUTH you must get rid of GOD. Why do you think the Governments around the World are trying to outlaw GOD. How do you think God feels about this?

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. (Psa. 2:1-5 and v. 7-12)

Notice; <u>TRUTH is found in His Word</u>, but, <u>Guidance in TRUTH is manifested</u> <u>through the Holy Spirit</u>. We are witnessing the Word of God in many Churches being used incorrectly by unscrupulous leaders who only want to benefit themselves. The Bible says; "they are being deceived while deceiving others."

Let them alone: <u>they be blind leaders of the blind</u>. <u>And if the blind lead</u> <u>the blind</u>, <u>both shall fall into the ditch</u>. (Matt. 15:14)

If anyone teaches a different doctrine and does not agree with the sound words of our Lord Jesus Christ and the teaching that accords with godliness, he is puffed up with conceit and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy craving for controversy and for quarrels about words, which produce envy, dissension, slander, evil suspicions, and constant friction among people who are depraved in mind and deprived of the truth, imagining that godliness is a means of gain. But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world.

(1 Tim. 6:3-7) ESVS

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. (2 Tim. 4:3,4)

<u>Having a form of godliness</u>, but <u>denying the power thereof</u> (the Holy Spirit): from such turn away. (2 Tim. 3:5)

There are Only Three Types of People that Exist on Earth

They are not Black, White, Hispanic, American, Chinese etc, etc...;

- 1). GOOD humble people that seek God with all their Hearts:
- 2). BAD people that hate God and are against His Word and Will:
- 3). IGNORANT these people are not bad nor good, they are just dumb and worthless to help anyone else. It's not that they are evil, they just don't have common sense. They are usually lazy and don't make an effort to better themselves and others physically, mentally, and Biblically:

People are going to Hell every day without hearing the TRUTH, and the Church is comfortably asleep with the bed sheets rolled over their face. The alarm clock seems to be on snooze. Evil is spreading all over the world with little to No opposition. The only hope for a dying world is a Church that's full of God's Word and Spirit. There is Anarchy, Apostasy, and Apathy in the pulpit and pew. It's only the hand of God that's preventing evil (satan) from taking over the world. All the soul winning your going to do must be done now while on Earth. There will be No soul winning in Heaven!

Jesus is waiting on His Church to get the TRUTH out so He can return. Remember, we will all give an account to Him at the Judgment Seat of Christ for the TRUTH that we spoke to others!

But he answered and said, <u>It is written</u>, <u>Man shall not live by bread alone</u>, <u>but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God</u>. (Matt. 4:4)

The Church today has lost faith in the power of the Word (The Bible) that comes out of the mouth of Jesus. Having lost confidence in God's TRUTH we are going to every other word (psychology, popular people, religion, etc.). We may sprinkle a little Bible on it to make it sound good, but we are mixing it with the words of men and then wonder why God's Word is not working. The Word we use must totally come out of the mouth of God and not our mouth. What we have today is Church folk dumbing down God's Book by mixing it up with man's self help books coming out of their carnal nature. Man's self help books have dulled the Sword (Word) of God where it no longer has an effect and can't cut anything.

The World System has Power to Silence the TRUTH if we Permit it!

Refusal to compromise with the world system can cost you money, relationships, position, notoriety, etc... not compromising with the world's system will bring you much persecution and afflictions.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all. (Psa. 34:19) *Read* (Psa. 91)

God's Church Must Have a Sharp Double Edged Sword

Moral Lectures and motivation talks are no substitute for GOD'S WORD! Why should we proclaim the wisdom of men (which will fail) when we have the privilege of teaching the WORD of GOD under the supervision of the HOLY SPIRIT?

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

(Heb. 4:12)

But if we want to see the double edged sword in Church, and not just a dull useless service, we must not compromise the Word of God.

We don't simply want to clap our hands and sing fun songs, we want the Sword that is not dulled by compromise. False teaching that contradicts the Word of God is not to be accepted. God does not want a mixture of His Word and the world's word (psychology etc...). You can put 10% poison in good food and kill rats. That can also kill human rats. More and more Churches today are compromising the Word to please their congregations, trying to make it easier to swallow with watered down versions. God's Word has spoken and He has the Power to back it up.

Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth. ((Rev. 2:16)

Some folk love Jesus and His Word on Sunday, but love the world Monday-Friday.

I'd rather divide the Church with GOD'S TRUTH than unite it with satan's Lie!