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Let's Get One Thing Clear!

Even in our strange times of covid, with no place to go and nothing to do but watch the paint dry on our walls, it still can be very difficult to find clarity. Even in the stillness and the quiet, the noise of the world's troubles manages to creep in and take up residency in our minds, hearts, and souls. Yet, finding a way to "get clear" is exactly what we need to do. Sometimes we are able to take a trip for clarity. Sometimes a walk on the beach or a hike in the mountains is all it takes to flush out the noise and confusion that can keep our vision cloudy, but when we can't get away to get clear, it's vitally important that we find a place and a space to get clear within ourselves. Once we do that, we are finally able to see and hear the abundance that God offers us. Join us this month for our final message from our "Mind, Body, and Spirit Series", as Edouard bring us the Good News!



Edouard
Knighton

Oasis Cares Team!

Someone you know needing some love? Contact Sandy Bron and she will send them an e-greeting or hard-copy card to cheer them up, wish them a Happy Birthday, or just let them know that Oasis is here, and we care!

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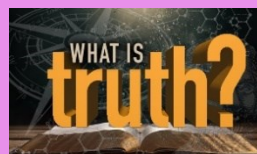
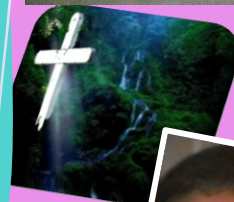
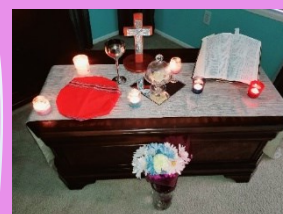


Holy Communion

Please plan to join us once per month for Holy Communion! If you are joining us on Zoom, bring your Bread & Wine/Juice with you to our gathering so that we can share in this great celebration as a family!

Next Communion...

Sunday, May 9, 2021



Kent Rylander
Oasis Treasurer

Truth – Part II

by: Kent Rylander

Last month in Part I, we looked at why truth matters, how it can be manipulated, and what makes people fall prey to deception. This month, we'll look at how to better discern what is true.

While no one likes to be questioned without cause, a truth teller is more likely to be willing to allow their statements to be scrutinized since they have nothing to hide, especially if they are reporting something that is less likely to seem credible on its face. In **John 8:32**, Jesus said that "you shall know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Jesus was speaking about holding to his teaching. In other words, having a clear understanding of what he really taught and said will protect you from false teaching that may twist or add to God's word.

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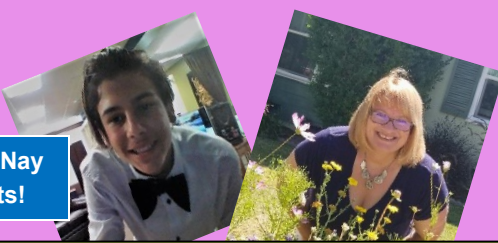
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Cesar & Sally McNay
Easter BBQ Hosts!



Easter Sunday Celebration A Huge Success!

by: Sally McNay

What an amazing day to relive the amazing return of Christ into our lives again! It was great to see our Oasis group together and worship at Oasis HQ. We continued the celebration at my home with a BBQ, volleyball, and Easter Egg Hunt and of course lots of food. We had enough for many more people. Cesar and Zaiden were able to search and find the candy-filled easter eggs 🥚🥚🥚 hidden all over the backyard. Zaiden found the first Golden egg and won a prize! Thanks to Kent, Cesar and Edouard, we had a Volleyball net so we could play Volleyball 🏐 and Badminton 🏸. Thanks to Mo for keeping the tunes going! The celebration continued with music, lots of conversation and laughter, oh and lots of eating. Oh, and our resident bartender Rafi was back in action too! Thanks to everyone for bringing food, and thanks to Pastor Christopher for ensuring we had everything that was needed. It was a great celebration!

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Truth – Part II cont...

While it's good to have some general awareness of how God's word can be misused, it's much more valuable to know what Jesus really said and what God has actually done, by regularly studying the scriptures directly. Once we are armed with a thorough understanding of the truth, false teaching becomes more readily apparent, merely from its contrast to our study of what is true. Paul's advice in **Philippians 4:8** is, "whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." We benefit more by dwelling on what is good and true than on what is evil or false.

Hebrews 11:1 teaches us that faith is the evidence of things unseen. But that does not mean that faith should be the only evidence. Merely believing in something does not make it true. We should examine all of the evidence, asking the Holy Spirit to guide us, while also using some of the other tools God has given to us, such as:

- Weigh arguments from different perspectives (listen objectively to all sides)
- Consider all of the evidence (don't draw conclusions from limited information)
- Consider the source (what are the motives of the person making the claims?)
- Separate facts from innuendo (what do we know vs what is being suggested?)
- Avoid logical fallacies (e.g. jeans are blue, the sky is blue, therefore the sky is made of jeans)
- What are the consequences of accepting or denying the claim? (who or what is affected and how?)

Is it time for a reality check about something you've been hearing? What is your reference standard for what is true, which you use to measure the veracity of everything else? Do you spend more time becoming familiar with your standards of truth, or with being captivated by the most compelling story? I pray God grants you discernment, and that you use some of the tools described above in the context of what you already know to be true, and the Holy Spirit will guide you to know the truth.

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