

God's Truth for Triumphant Living

1. John 17:14-17

A. "I'm not asking you to take them out of the world but to keep them from Satan's power." (Living Bible)

B. *I have given and delivered to them Your word (message) and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world [do not belong to the world], just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that You will take them out of the world, but that You will keep and protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world (worldly, belonging to the world), [just] as I am not of the world. Sanctify them [purify, consecrate, separate them for Yourself, make them holy] by the Truth; Your Word is Truth.* (Amplified)

C. God's Word is called the **Word of Truth** (Eph. 1:13). It is by this truth that we are able to withstand the attacks of Satan (Eph. 6:13-14). It is this "truth" that is our shield and our buckler (Ps. 91:3-4)

2. The contrast between God and Satan

A. John 8:44; John 8:31-32

B. God's truth is capable of freeing us from the lies and bondage of Satan. What we believe determines whether we will be free or in bondage.

C. Adam and Eve are a prime example (Gen. 3:1-7)

D. There is more than one kind of truth. There is *circumstantial truth*. This is saying that the situations and circumstances that you are facing are true. We do not deny that these things are real. Then there is *God's Truth*. God's truth is capable of overcoming and changing the circumstances. We can turn *circumstantial truth* into *God's truth*.

E. The proper order must be followed - TRUTH-TRUST-TRIUMPH

3. Bondages

Jesus said that it is His truth that will make us free. What do we need freedom from? Below we see some bondages that we can be freed from when we come to know the truth.

A. Sin is a Bondage - John 8:34-36; Rom. 6:11-18
(1) He who sins is of the devil (1 John 3:8)

B. Fear is a Bondage - Heb. 2:14-15 (Rom. 8:15); Psalm 23:4

C. Sickness is a Bondage - Luke 13:16

4. Recovering from the enemy's snare

A. - 2 Tim. 2:25-26