

"THERE'S A WAY THAT APPEARS TO BE RIGHT, BUT IN THE END IT LEADS TO DEATH" - Proverbs 14:12



PILATE WENT BACK INTO THE PRAETORIUM, SUMMONED JESUS, AND ASKED HIM, "ARE YOU THE KING OF THE JEWS?" "ARE YOU SAYING THIS ON YOUR OWN," JESUS ASKED, "OR DID OTHERS TELL YOU ABOUT ME?" "AM I A JEW?" PILATE REPLIED. "YOUR OWN PEOPLE AND CHIEF PRIESTS HANDED YOU OVER TO ME. WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?"



JESUS ANSWERED, "MY KINGDOM IS NOT OF THIS WORLD; IF IT WERE, MY SERVANTS WOULD FIGHT TO PREVENT MY ARREST BY THE JEWS. BUT NOW, MY KINGDOM IS NOT OF THIS REALM." "THEN YOU ARE A KING!" PILATE SAID. "YOU SAY THAT I AM A KING," JESUS ANSWERED. "FOR THIS REASON I WAS BORN AND HAVE COME INTO THE WORLD, TO TESTIFY TO THE TRUTH. EVERYONE WHO BELONGS TO THE TRUTH LISTENS TO MY VOICE."

- JOHN 18:35-37





"WHAT IS TRUTH?" — PONTIUS PILATE - John 18:38

"I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE. NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME." - JESUS

- JOHN 14:6



"BUT I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, IT IS FOR YOUR BENEFIT THAT I AM GOING AWAY. UNLESS I GO AWAY, THE ADVOCATE WILL NOT COME TO YOU; BUT IF I GO, I WILL SEND HIM TO YOU... HOWEVER, WHEN THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH COMES, HE WILL GUIDE YOU INTO ALL TRUTH. FOR HE WILL NOT SPEAK ON HIS OWN, BUT HE WILL SPEAK WHAT HE HEARS, AND HE WILL DECLARE TO YOU WHAT IS TO COME." -- JESUS - JOHN 16:7, 13



JESUS IS THE TRUTH – GOD'S WORD BECOMING FLESH AND DWELLING AMONG US

HE SENT US THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHICH IS THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

WE HAVE GOD'S WORD — 'THE WORD OF TRUTH' AND Is god-breathed

JOHN 1:14 - THE WORD BECAME Flesh and made his dwelling Among US.

JOHN 14:6 - JESUS ANSWERED, "I Am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the father except through me. JOHN 16:13 - HOWEVER, WHEN THE Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. For he will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and he will declare to you what is to come." 2 TIM 3:16 - ALL SCRIPTURE IS GOD-BREATHED AND IS USEFUL FOR INSTRUCTION, FOR CONVICTION, FOR CORRECTION, AND FOR TRAINING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS

JOHN 17:17 - SANCTIFY THEM BY The truth; your word is truth.



NOW THE SERPENT WAS MORE CRAFTY THAN ANY BEAST OF THE FIELD THAT THE LORD GOD HAD MADE. AND HE SAID TO THE WOMAN, "DID GOD Really Say, 'You must not eat of any tree in the garden?"

- GENESIS 3:1



"YOU WILL NOT SURELY DIE," THE SERPENT TOLD HER. "FOR GOD KNOWS THAT IN THE DAY YOU EAT OF IT, YOUR EYES WILL BE OPENED AND YOU WILL BE LIKE GOD, KNOWING GOOD AND EVIL."

- **GENESIS 3:4-5**



"WHEN THE WOMAN SAW THAT THE TREE WAS GOOD FOR FOOD AND Pleasing to the eyes, and that it was desirable for obtaining Wisdom, she took the fruit and ate it. She also gave some to her Husband, who was with her, and he ate it."

- GENESIS 3:6



THE THIEF COMES ONLY TO STEAL AND KILL AND DESTROY.

- JOHN 10:10

YOUR ENEMY THE DEVIL PROWLS AROUND LIKE A ROARING LION LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO DEVOUR.

-1PETER 5:8



"WHY DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT I AM SAYING? IT IS BECAUSE YOU ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT MY MESSAGE. YOU BELONG TO YOUR FATHER, THE **DEVIL, AND YOU WANT TO CARRY OUT HIS DESIRES. HE WAS A MURDERER** FROM THE BEGINNING. REFUSING TO UPHOLD THE TRUTH. BECAUSE THERE **IS NO TRUTH IN HIM. WHEN HE LIES, HE SPEAKS HIS NATIVE LANGUAGE, BECAUSE HE IS A LIAR AND THE FATHER OF LIES. BUT BECAUSE I SPEAK** THE TRUTH, YOU DO NOT BELIEVE ME!" — JESUS

- JOHN 8:43-45



FOR SIN, SEIZING ITS OPPORTUNITY ... DECEIVED ME AND THROUGH THE COMMANDMENT PUT ME TO DEATH.

ROMANS 7:11

YOU WERE TAUGHT, WITH REGARD TO YOUR FORMER WAY OF LIFE, TO PUT OFF YOUR OLD SELF, WHICH IS BEING CORRUPTED BY ITS DECEITFUL DESIRES;

EPHESIANS 4:22

BUT ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER DAILY, AS LONG AS IT IS CALLED "TODAY," So that none of you may be hardened by Sin's Deceitfulness

HEBREWS 3:13



"YOU WILL NOT SURELY DIE"

- GENESIS 3:4



FOR ALTHOUGH THEY KNEW GOD, THEY NEITHER GLORIFIED HIM AS GOD NOR GAVE THANKS TO HIM, BUT THEIR THINKING BECAME FUTILE AND THEIR FOOLISH HEARTS WERE DARKENED. ALTHOUGH THEY CLAIMED TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS. THEY EXCHANGED THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD FOR A LIE, AND WORSHIPED AND SERVED CREATED THINGS RATHER THAN THE CREATOR

- ROMANS 1:21-25

WHEN WE EXCHANGE THE TRUTH FOR A LIE, IT'S SO WE CAN SERVE THE CREATURE, NOT THE CREATOR.



1. REBUILD YOUR ARMOR

STAND FIRM THEN, WITH THE BELT OF TRUTH BUCKLED AROUND YOUR WAIST, WITH THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS IN PLACE, AND WITH YOUR FEET FITTED WITH THE READINESS THAT COMES FROM THE GOSPEL OF PEACE. IN ADDITION TO ALL THIS, TAKE UP THE SHIELD **OF FAITH, WITH WHICH YOU CAN EXTINGUISH ALL THE** FLAMING ARROWS OF THE EVIL ONE. TAKE THE HELMET **OF SALVATION AND THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT. WHICH IS** THE WORD OF GOD.

- EPHESIANS 6:14-17



REBUILD YOUR ARMOR RECOGNIZE THE SEASON YOU'RE IN

"MY SOUL HAS BEEN DEPRIVED OF PEACE; I HAVE Forgotten what prosperity is. So I say, 'my strength has perished along with my hope from the lord."

- LAMENTATIONS 3:17-18



1. REBUILD YOUR ARMOR 2. Recognize the season You're in

3. RECALL THE TRUTH

"YET I CALL THIS TO MIND, AND THEREFORE I HAVE HOPE: BECAUSE OF THE LORD'S LOVING DEVOTION WE ARE NOT CONSUMED, FOR HIS COMPASSIONS NEVER FAIL. THEY ARE NEW EVERY MORNING; GREAT IS YOUR FAITHFULNESS! 'THE LORD IS MY PORTION,' SAYS MY SOUL, THEREFORE I WILL HOPE IN HIM.'

- LAMENTATIONS 3:21-24



<u>GOD IS IN CONTROL OF EVERYTHING. NOTHING HAPPENS OUTSIDE OF HIS WILL.</u>

- PROVERBS 21:1 IN THE LORD'S HAND THE KING'S HEART IS A STREAM OF WATER THAT HE CHANNELS TOWARD ALL WHO PLEASE HIM.
- JOB 28:24 FOR HE VIEWS THE ENDS OF THE EARTH AND SEES EVERYTHING UNDER THE HEAVENS.
- LAMENTATIONS 3:37-38 WHO IS THERE WHO SPEAKS AND IT COMES TO PASS, UNLESS THE LORD HAS COMMANDED IT?
- GENESIS 50:20 YOU INTENDED TO HARM ME, BUT GOD INTENDED IT FOR GOOD TO ACCOMPLISH What is now being done, the saving of many lives.
- JEREMIAH 29:11 FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU," DECLARES THE LORD, "PLANS TO PROSPER YOU AND NOT TO HARM YOU, PLANS TO GIVE YOU HOPE AND A FUTURE.



TRUTHS ABOUT WHO YOU ARE IN CHRIST

- CHRIST REDEEMED YOU (EPHESIANS 1:7; GALATIANS 3:13, HEBREWS 9:15)
- YOU ARE NO LONGER A SLAVE TO SIN (2 CORINTHIANS 5:17)
- YOU HAVE BEEN ADOPTED AS SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE MOST HIGH (EPH 1:5; ROMANS 8:14)
- GOD LOVES YOU IMMENSELY (JOHN 17:23; JOHN 3:16; JER 31:3)
- NOTHING CAN SEPARATE YOU FROM THE LOVE OF CHRIST (ROMANS 8:31-39)
- GOD LOOKS AT YOU AND SEES THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF CHRIST (2 COR 5:21)



TRUTHS ABOUT GOD'S CHARACTER

- GOD IS GOOD, HOLY AND JUST (DANIEL 4:37)
- GOD IS ALL-POWERFUL, ALL-KNOWING, FOREVER-FAITHFUL (HEBREWS 10:23)
- GOD IS GRACIOUS, MERCIFUL AND KIND (PSALM 103:8)
- GOD IS SEEN DEFINITIVELY IN JESUS (JOHN 14:9)
- GOD'S POWER IS UNLIMITED (LUKE 1:37)



TRUTHS ABOUT YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES

- ISAIAH 43:2 WHEN YOU GO THROUGH DEEP WATERS, I WILL BE WITH YOU.
- PSALM 37:5 COMMIT YOUR WAY TO THE LORD. TRUST IN HIM, AND HE WILL ACT
- PROVERBS 31:25 SHE IS CLOTHED IN STRENGTH, AND DIGNITY, AND SHE LAUGHS WITHOUT FEAR OF THE FUTURE"
- JOSHUA 1:9 BE BOLD. BE BRAVE. BE COURAGEOUS.
- ECCLESIASTES 3:1 THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING ...
- ISAIAH 66:9 I WILL NOT CAUSE PAIN WITHOUT ALLOWING SOMETHING NEW TO BE BORN, SAYS THE LORD.
- PHILLIPIANS 4:13 I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS ME

• JAMES 1 — TRIALS PRODUCE PERSEVERANCE AND BUILD YOUR FAITH!

REMEMBER GOD'S PROMISES

- HE PROMISED SALVATION FOR EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON HIS NAME (ACTS 2:21; JOHN 6:37)
- HE IS ALWAYS WITH US (JOSHUA 1:9; MATTHEW 28:20)
- HE HAS PROMISED TO NEVER LEAVE US OR FORSAKE US (ROMANS 8:35-39)
- HE WILL BE NEAR TO THE BROKEN-HEARTED (PSALM 34:18)
- HE HEARS US WHEN WE CRY OUT TO HIM (PSALM 34:15; PSALM 86:5-8)
- HE WILL MEET ALL OUR NEEDS (PHILLIPIANS 4:19; ROMANS 8:32)
- HE PROMISED US ETERNITY WITH HIM IN HEAVEN (JOHN 14:2-3; 1 JOHN 2:25)



