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Truth

When we say that we want to know the truth we are saying that we want to know for certain about that which agrees with ultimate reality. Knowing the truth is very important in every aspect of our life. The Bible declares that God's Word is truth. When Jesus was praying to the heavenly Father He prayed about His believers and said, *“Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.”* (John 17:17)

Following the truth causes us to follow in the way that is right. Therefore, the Bible ascribes the truth to God's Law. *“Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and thy law is the truth.”* (Psalm 119:142) But if we are to know the truth of God the Bible tells us that we need help because we are mortal men prone to error so very easily. That help is given to us by the Holy Spirit dwelling with us and in us as Jesus explained *“The Father shall give you another Comforter – Even the Spirit of Truth whom the world cannot receive”* ((John 14:16,17)

The ways of the world can trap us in many lies that are hurtful to us and do us eventual harm. Jesus assures us, *“Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free”* (John 8:32)

As members in Christ's family we are directed to speak the truth (Ephesians 4:25), walk in the truth (III John 3,4), declare the truth (Acts 26:25), and worship in the truth (John 4:23,24).

The Bible also tells us that if we are following Jesus then we are following after truth. In truth, it is only by Jesus that we can commune with the Father who has the way of life for us. In fact Jesus manifests this will of the Father as He announces of Himself , *“I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh to the Father but by me.”* (John 14:6)