Truth April 16th, 2023 John 18:33 -38

Some people think truth is based on the Rule of Gold "He who has the gold makes the rules"

The rich man was confident that he had figured out how to be successful and happy, but he missed the truth (Luke 12:16-21)

Some people think that truth is whatever they want it to be

For example, the friends of Job

The rebellion was done in face of all the obvious miracles God had already worked, and the words Moses had given them from God (Exodus 32: 1-5)

Some people do not believe truth is something that can be known

Pilate's question reveals his philosophy, his actions reveal how that philosophy works out (John 18:33-38)

God Is Truth

The prophet Isaiah twice refers to Jehovah as the "God of truth." (Isaiah 65:16)

He speaks truth when He makes promises, stresses His faithfulness, and reliability. (Deuteronomy 32:4)

Jesus is described as being full of truth. (John 1:14, 17)

He is the embodiment of all that is true. (John 14:6) He is the real, the accurate way to heaven. He is the source of true food and true drink. (John 6:55) All others are imitations.

The Bible Is Truth

Jesus declared, "And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32) Later He proclaimed that the Word of God is truth. (John 17:17)

The inspired apostle Paul emphasized the accuracy of what he was speaking. (Acts 26:25) Paul also stated that those people who taught things contrary to what he taught were to be rebuked. (Titus 1:10-14)

The Bible, the word of truth, doesn't contain the Word of God; it <u>is</u> the Word of God. (Revelation 21:5)

What We Must Do with the Truth

Live by the truth. (John 3:21) Do what is true. (I John 1:6) Practice the truth.

We can come to a knowledge of the truth. (I Timothy 2:3-4)

We must truly listen to God's voice as recorded in the scripture. (John 18:37, I John 4:6)

The church is to support the truth. (I Timothy 3:15)

Be very careful not to wander from it. (James 5:19-20)