

VERSES ON TRUTH

Psalm 15:1-2 1 O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? 2 He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth (**תְּשֻׁתָּה**) in his heart.¹

Psalm 19:9 9 ...The rules of Yahweh are true and righteous altogether.

Psalm 43:3 3 Send out your light and your truth (**תְּשֻׁתָּה**). Let them lead me. Let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!¹²

Psalm 51:6 6 Behold, you delight in truth (**תְּשֻׁתָּה**) in the inward being (**תִּנְבַּע**), and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.³

Psalm 119:142 142 Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your Torah is true (**תְּשֻׁתָּה**).

Psalm 119:160 160 The sum of your word is truth, and every one of your righteous rules endures forever.

Psalm 145:18 18 Yahweh is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Zechariah 8:16 16 These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another. Render in your gates judgments that are true and make for peace.

Matthew 5:37 37 Let what you say be simply Yes or No. Anything more than this comes from evil.

Luke 1:1-4 1 Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, 2 just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, 3 it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, 4 that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.

John 1:17 17 For the law was given through Moses. Grace and truth came through Jesus Messiah.

John 4:23-24 23 ...The hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

John 8:31-32 31 If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

¹ Speaking truth in our heart is more important than speaking truth to others. It's where it begins.

² Truth derives from God, and we need it desperately.

³ God delights in truth when it is our inmost being.

John 14:6 6 Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life.

John 16:13 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth ($\tauὴ\ ἀληθείᾳ$)....

John 17:8 8 For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me.

John 17:17-19 17 Sanctify them in the truth. Your word is truth. 18 As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. 19 And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

John 18:37-40 37 For this purpose I [Jesus] was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to testify to the truth ($\tauὴ\ ἀληθείᾳ$). Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice. 38 Pilate said to him, What is truth ($\ἀλήθεια$)?⁴ After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, I find no guilt in him. 39 But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews? 40 They cried out again, Not this man, but Barabbas! Now Barabbas was a robber.

John 19:35 35 He who saw it [John] has testified—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe.⁵

Acts 26:24-25 24 And as [Paul] was saying these things in his defense, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, you are out of your mind. Your great learning is driving you out of your mind. 25 But Paul said, I am not out of my mind, most excellent Festus, but I am speaking true and rational words.

Romans 1:18 18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth ($\τὴν\ ἀλήθειαν$).

Romans 1:24-25 24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, 25 because they exchanged the truth ($\τὴν\ ἀλήθειαν$) about God for the lie ($\τῷ\ ψεύδει$) and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

2 Corinthians 4:2 2 But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

2 Corinthians 13:8 8 For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth.

⁴ Jesus believes the issue is one of truth. Pilate believes the issue is one of power.

⁵ Our job is to tell the truth, whether the world wants to hear it or not.

Ephesians 4:15 15 ...Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Messiah....

Ephesians 4:25 25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbour, for we are members one of another.

Ephesians 6:14 14 Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth.

Philippians 4:8 8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

2 Thessalonians 2:9-13 9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power, false signs, and wonders, 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. 11 Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, 12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness. 13 But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.

1 Timothy 2:4-7 4 [God] desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Messiah Jesus, 6 who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. 7 For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the nations ($\delta\iota\delta\alpha\sigma\kappa\alpha\lambda\omega\varsigma$ $\dot{\epsilon}\theta\nu\tilde{\omega}\nu$) in faith and truth.

1 Timothy 3:15 15 ...If I [Paul] delay, you [Timothy] may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar ($\sigma\tau\tilde{\nu}\lambda\omega\varsigma$)⁶ and firm base ($\dot{\epsilon}\delta\rho\alpha\iota\omega\mu\alpha$)⁷ of the truth.

Titus 1:1 1 Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Messiah, for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness....

James 5:19-20 19 My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, 20 let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

1 John 1:5-7 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in

⁶ “[A] supporting portion, ordinarily cylindrical, of a structure, *pillar; column*” (BDAG, 949).

⁷ “[T]hat which provides a firm base for someth., perh. *mainstay*” (BDAG, 276).

the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

1 John 4:1-6 1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. 2 By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Messiah has come in the flesh is from God, 3 and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. 4 Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. 5 They are from the world. Therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. 6 We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us. Whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

2 John 1-4 1 The elder to the elect lady and her children, whom I love in truth, and not only I, but also all who know the truth, 2 because of the truth that abides in us and will be with us forever. 3 Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Messiah the Father's Son, in truth and love. 4 I rejoiced greatly to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as we were commanded by the Father.

3 John 8 8 We ought to support people like these, that we may be fellow workers for the truth.

Revelation 21:5 5 And he who was seated on the throne said, Behold, I am making all things new. Also he said, Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.