

~TRUTH (1238)

[Hebrew, *emeth*', Greek, *a-le'thei-a*]

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- The Hebrew term, '*emeth*', often rendered, truth, may designate that which is firm, trustworthy, stable, faithful, true, or established as fact. **Truth is the greatest of all principles!**
- But you yourself should select out of all the people capable men, fearing God, trustworthy men, hating unjust profit, and you must set these over them as chiefs over thousands, chiefs over hundreds, chiefs over fifties and chiefs over tens. (**Exodus 18:21**)
- And Yehowah went passing by before his face and declaring; Yehowah, Yehowah, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abundant in loving-kindness and **truth**. (**Exodus 34:6**)
- You must also search and investigate and inquire thoroughly, and if the thing is established as the **truth**, this detestable thing has been done in your midst. (**Deuteronomy 13:14**)
- And it has been told you and you have heard it and have searched thoroughly, and, look! The thing is established as the **truth**, this detestable thing has been done in Israel! (**Deuteronomy 17:4**)
- If, though, this thing has proved to be the **truth**, evidence of virginity was not found in the girl. (**Deuteronomy 22:20**)
- And now, please, swear to me by Yehowah that, because I have exercised loving-kindness toward you, you also will certainly exercise loving-kindness toward the household of my father, and you must give me a trustworthy sign. (**Joshua 2:12**)
- At that the king said to him; For how many times am I putting

- you under oath that you should not speak to me anything but **truth** in the name of Yehowah? (2 Chronicles 18:15)
- And Hezekiah proceeded to do like this in all Judah, and he continued to do what was good and right and faithful before Yehowah his God. (2 Chronicles 31:20)
 - And I went on to put in command of Jerusalem Hanani my brother and Hananiah the prince of the Castle, for he was such a trustworthy man and feared the true God more than many others. (Nehemiah 7:2)
 - And you are righteous as regards all that has come upon us, for faithfully is how you have acted, but we are the ones that have done wickedly. (Nehemiah 9:33)
 - Then he sent written documents to all the Jews in the one hundred and twenty-seven jurisdictional districts, the realm of Ahasuerus, in words of peace and **truth**. (Esther 9:30)
 - He who is walking faultlessly and practicing righteousness and speaking the **truth** in his heart. (Psalms 15:2)
 - The congregator sought to find the delightful words and the writing of correct words of **truth**. (Ecclesiastes 12:10)
 - And they keep trifling each one with his companion, and they speak no **truth** at all. They have taught their tongue to speak falsehood. They have tired themselves out merely in doing wrong. (Jeremiah 9:5)
 - The **Greek** word *a-le'thei-a* stands in contrast with falsehood or unrighteousness and denotes that **which conforms to fact or to what is right and proper**.
 - But the woman, frightened and trembling, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell down before him and told him the **whole truth**. (Mark 5:33)
 - The scribe said to him; Teacher, you well said in line with **truth**, He is One, and there is no other than He. (Mark 12:32)
 - For instance, I tell you in **truth**, There were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three

- years and six months, so that a great famine fell upon all the land. (**Luke 4:25**)
- But he that does what is true comes to the light, in order, that his works may be made manifest as having been worked in harmony with God. (**John 3:21**)
 - However, for those who are contentious and who disobey the **truth** but obey unrighteousness there will be wrath and anger. (**Romans 2:8**)
 - It does not rejoice over unrighteousness, but rejoices with the **truth**. (**1 Corinthians 13:6**)
 - What then? Nothing, except that in every way, whether in pretense or in **truth**, Christ is being publicized, and in this I rejoice. In fact, I will also keep on rejoicing. (**Philippians 1:18**)
 - And with every unrighteous deception for those who are perishing, as a retribution because they did not accept the love of the **truth** that they might be saved. (**2 Thessalonians 2:10**)
 - In order, that they all may be judged because they did not believe the **truth** but took pleasure in unrighteousness. (**2 Thessalonians 2:12**)
 - If we make the statement; We are having a sharing with him, and yet we go on walking in the darkness, we are lying and are not practicing the **truth**. (**1 John 1:6**)
 - If we make the statement; We have no sin, we are misleading ourselves and the **truth** is not in us. (**1 John 1:8**)
 - He that says; I have come to know him, and yet is not observing his commandments, is a liar, and the **truth** is not in this person. (**1 John 2:4**)
 - I write you, not because you do not know the **truth**, but because you know it, and because no lie originates with the truth. (**1 John 2:21**)
 - A number of other original-language expressions can, depending upon the context, also be translated, **truth**.

·· Yehowah Is The God Of Truth

- Yehowah is **the God of truth**.
- Into your hand I entrust my spirit. You have redeemed me, O Yehowah **the God of truth**. (**Psalms 31:5**)
- He is faithful in all his dealings. His promises are sure, for he cannot lie.
- God is not a man that he should tell lies, neither a son of mankind that he should feel regret. Has he himself said it and will he not do it, and has he spoken and will he not carry it out? (**Numbers 23:19**)
- And, besides, the Excellency of Israel will not prove false, and He will not feel regrets, for He is not an earthling man so as to feel regrets. (**1 Samuel 15:29**)
- Once I have sworn in my holiness, to David I will not tell lies. (**Psalms 89:35**)
- Upon the basis of a hope of the everlasting life which God, who cannot lie, promised before times long lasting. (**Titus 1:2**)
- In this manner God, when he purposed to demonstrate more abundantly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeableness of his counsel, stepped in with an oath. (**Hebrews 6:17**)
- In order, that, through two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to the refuge may have strong encouragement to lay hold on the hope set before us. (**Hebrews 6:18**)
- He judges according to **truth**, that is, **according to the way things really are**, and not on the basis of outward appearance. To do this he must know about the heart motivations, the actions and thinking of all his people all the time.
- Now we know that the judgment of God is, in accord with **truth**, against those who practice such things. (**Romans 2:2**)
- Stop judging from the outward appearance, but judge with righteous judgment. (**John 7:24**)

- Everything that emanates from him is pure and without defect. His judicial decisions, Law, commandments, and word are **truth**.
- And upon Mount Sinai you came down and spoke with them out of heaven and went on to give them upright judicial decisions and laws of **truth**, good regulations and commandments. (**Nehemiah 9:13**)
- The fear of Yehowah is pure, standing forever. The judicial decisions of Yehowah are true, they have proved altogether righteous. (**Psalms 19:9**)
- Your righteousness is a righteousness to time indefinite, and your Law is **truth**. (**Psalms 119:142**)
- You are near, O Yehowah, and all your commandments are **truth**. (**Psalms 119:151**)
- The substance of your word is **truth**, and every righteous judicial decision of yours is to time indefinite. (**Psalms 119:160**)
- They are always right and proper, and they stand in opposition to all unrighteousness and error.

·· Creation's Testimony

- The creative works testify to the fact that God exists. But, according to Paul, even certain of those people who knew God suppressed this **truth**.
- Rather than serving God in harmony with the truth concerning his eternal power and godship, they made idols and worshiped these. Not being real gods, idols are an **untruth**, a lie or falsehood.
- Every man has behaved so unreasoningly as not to know. Every metalworker will certainly feel shame because of the carved image, for his molten image is a falsehood, and there is no spirit in them. (**Jeremiah 10:14**)
- Hence, these persons, though having the **truth** of God, exchanged it for the lie and venerated and rendered sacred service to the creation rather than the One who created. Their turning to the falsehood of idolatry led them into all kinds of degraded practices.

- **For God's wrath is being revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who are suppressing the **truth** in an unrighteous way. (Romans 1:18)**
- **Because what may be known about God is manifest among them, for God made it manifest to them. (Romans 1:19)**
- **For his invisible qualities are clearly seen from the world's creation onward, because they are perceived by the things made, even his eternal power and godship, so that they are inexcusable. (Romans 1:20)**
- **Because, although they knew God, they did not glorify him as God nor did they thank him, but they became empty-headed in their reasonings and their unintelligent heart became darkened. (Romans 1:21)**
- **Although asserting they were wise, they became foolish. (Romans 1:22)**
- **And turned the glory of the incorruptible God into something like the image of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed creatures and creeping things. (Romans 1:23)**
- **Therefore God, in keeping with the desires of their hearts, gave them up to uncleanness, that their bodies might be dishonored among them. (Romans 1:24)**
- **Even those who exchanged the **truth** of God for the lie and venerated and rendered sacred service to the creation rather than the One who created, who is blessed forever. Amen. (Romans 1:25)**
- **That is why God gave them up to disgraceful sexual appetites, for both their females changed the natural use of themselves into one contrary to nature. (Romans 1:26)**
- **And likewise even the males left the natural use of the female and became violently inflamed in their lust toward one another, males with males, working what is obscene and receiving in themselves the full recompense, which was due for their error. (Romans 1:27)**

- And just as they did not approve of holding God in accurate knowledge, God gave them up to a disapproved mental state, to do the things not fitting. (**Romans 1:28**)
- Filled as they were with all unrighteousness, wickedness, covetousness, badness, being full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malicious disposition, being whisperers. (**Romans 1:29**)
- Backbiters, haters of God, insolent, haughty, self-assuming, inventors of injurious things, disobedient to parents. (**Romans 1:30**)
- Without understanding, false to agreements, having no natural affection, merciless. (**Romans 1:31**)

·· In Contrast To Mans' Sinfulness

- The degraded practices of non-Jews and the disobedience of the Jews to God's Law in no way brought harm to the Creator personally. Instead, his **truthfulness**, holiness, and righteousness stood out in sharp contrast, and this to his glory.
- But the fact that man's wrongdoing makes God's righteousness stand out in even greater prominence provides no basis for claiming that God is unjust in executing an adverse judgment against wrongdoers. Being a creation of God, a person has no right to harm himself by sinning.
- The above is the argument that Paul used in his letter to the Romans, saying; If our unrighteousness brings God's righteousness to the fore, what shall we say?
- God is not unjust when he vents his wrath, is he? I am speaking as a man does. Never may that happen! How, otherwise, will God judge the world? Yet if by reason of my lie.
- Without understanding, false to agreements, having no natural affection, merciless. (**Romans 1:31**)
- The **truth** of God has been made more prominent to his glory, why am I also yet being judged as a sinner? And why not say, just as it is falsely charged to us and just as some men state that we say; Let us do the bad things that the good things may come? The judgment against those men is in harmony with justice.

- However, if our unrighteousness brings God's righteousness to the fore, what shall we say? God is not unjust when he vents his wrath, is he? I am speaking as a man does. (**Romans 3:5**)
- Never may that happen! How, otherwise, will God judge the world? (**Romans 3:6**)
- Yet if by reason of my lie the **truth** of God has been made more prominent to his glory, why am I also yet being judged as a sinner? (**Romans 3:7**)
- And why not say; just as it is falsely charged to us and just as some men state that we say; Let us do the bad things that the good things may come? The judgment against those men is in harmony with justice. (**Romans 3:8**)
- God has delivered his people, not for a course of sin, but for a life of righteousness, that they may glorify Him. The apostle says later in his letter;
- Therefore do not let sin continue to rule as king in your mortal bodies that you should obey their desires. (**Romans 6:12**)
- Neither go on presenting your members to sin as weapons of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, also your members to God as weapons of righteousness. (**Romans 6:13**)

•• Jesus Christ Is Himself The Truth

- Like his Father Yehowah, Jesus Christ is full of undeserved kindness and **truth**.
- So the Word became flesh and resided among us, and we had a view of his glory, a glory such as belongs to an only-begotten son from a father, and **he was full of undeserved kindness and truth**. (**John 1:14**)
- Provided, indeed, that you heard him and were taught by means of him, just as **truth is in Jesus**. (**Ephesians 4:21**)
- While on earth, **he always spoke the truth** as he had received it from his Father.

- But now you are seeking to kill me, a man that has told you the **truth that I heard from God**. Abraham did not do this. (**John 8:40**)
- Because I, on the other hand, **tell the truth**, you do not believe me. (**John 8:45**)
- Who of you convicts me of sin? **If I speak truth, why is it you do not believe me?** (**John 8:46**)
- He committed no sin, **nor was deception found in his mouth**.
- He committed no sin, nor was deception found in his mouth. (**1 Peter 2:22**)
- Jesus represented things as they really were. Besides being **full of truth**, Jesus was himself **the truth**, and **truth** came through him. He declared.
- Jesus said to him; I am the way and the **truth** and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (**John 14:6**)
- And the apostle John wrote,
- Because the Law was given through Moses, **the undeserved kindness and the truth** came to be through Jesus Christ. (**John 1:17**)
- John's words do not mean that the Law given through Moses was erroneous. It, too, was **truth**, conforming to God's standard of holiness, righteousness, and goodness.
- You are near, O Yehowah, and all your commandments are **truth**. (**Psalms 119:151**)
- And the commandment which was to life, this I found to be to death. (**Romans 7:10**)
- For sin, receiving an inducement through the commandment, seduced me and killed me through it. (**Romans 7:11**)
- Wherefore, on its part, the Law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good. (**Romans 7:12**)

- **However, the Law served as a tutor leading to Christ.**
- **However, before the faith arrived, we were being guarded under law, being delivered up together into custody, looking to the faith that was destined to be revealed. ([Galatians 3:23](#))**
- **Consequently the Law has become our tutor leading to Christ, that we might be declared righteous due to faith. ([Galatians 3:24](#))**
- **But now that the faith has arrived, we are no longer under a tutor. ([Galatians 3:25](#))**
- **And had a shadow, or prophetic picture, of greater realities.**
- **If, now, he were upon earth, he would not be a priest, there being men who offer the gifts according to the Law. ([Hebrews 8:4](#))**
- **But which men are rendering sacred service in a typical representation and a shadow of the heavenly things, just as Moses, when about to make the tent in completion, was given the divine command; For says he; See that you make all things after their pattern that was shown to you in the mountain. ([Hebrews 8:5](#))**
- **For since the Law has a shadow of the good things to come, but not the very substance of the things, men can never with the same sacrifices from year to year which they offer continually make those who approach perfect. ([Hebrews 10:1](#))**
- **Otherwise, would the sacrifices not have stopped being offered, because those rendering sacred service who had been cleansed once for all time would have no consciousness of sins anymore? ([Hebrews 10:2](#))**
- **To the contrary, by these sacrifices there is a reminding of sins from year to year. ([Hebrews 10:3](#))**
- **For it is not possible for the blood of bulls and of goats to take sins away. ([Hebrews 10:4](#))**
- **Hence when he comes into the world he says; Sacrifice and**

offering you did not want, but you prepared a body for me.
([Hebrews 10:5](#))

- Providing a shadow, the Law, though **truthful**, was not the full truth and, therefore, had to give way to the realities that it foreshadowed.
- This point is emphasized by the apostle Paul in his letter to the Colossians.
- Therefore let no man judge you in eating and drinking or in respect of a festival or of an observance of the new moon or of a Sabbath. ([Colossians 2:16](#))
- For those things are a shadow of the things to come, but the reality belongs to the Christ. ([Colossians 2:17](#))
- Accordingly, the **truth** came to be through Jesus in the sense that he put the things foreshadowed by the Law into the realm of actual truth.
- As he himself was no shadow but the reality, Jesus was the **truth**. Jesus also became a minister in behalf of God's **truthfulness** in that he fulfilled God's promises made to the forefathers of the Jews by ministering to the circumcised Jews and proselytes.
- For I say that Christ actually became a minister of those who are circumcised in behalf of God's **truthfulness**, so as to verify the promises He made to their forefathers. ([Romans 15:8](#))

See Also JESUS CHRIST (Bearing Witness to the Truth)

- Similarly, the apostle Paul's reference to the **truth in the Law** does not imply that there was any falsehood in it.
- A corrector of the unreasonable ones, a teacher of babes, and having the framework of the knowledge and of the **truth** in the Law. ([Romans 2:20](#))
- But shows that the Law was not the **full truth**.

· The Spirit Of The Truth

- **The spirit that proceeds from Yehowah God is pure and holy. It is the spirit of the truth.**
- **The spirit of the truth, which the world cannot receive, because it neither beholds it nor knows it. You know it, because it remains with you and is in you. (John 14:17)**
- **When the helper arrives that I will send you from the Father, the spirit of the truth, which proceeds from the Father, that one will bear witness about me. (John 15:26)**
- **Jesus Christ told his disciples:**
- **I have many things yet to say to you, but you are not able to bear them at present. (John 16:12)**
- **However, when that one arrives, the spirit of the truth, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak of his own impulse, but what things he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things coming. (John 16:13)**
- **God's spirit would teach them everything they needed to know to carry out their work, recalling and opening up to their understanding things they had previously heard from Jesus but had not understood.**
- **But the helper, the Holy Spirit, which the Father will send in my name, that one will teach you all things and bring back to your minds all the things I told you. (John 14:26)**
- **God's spirit would also declare to them the things coming. This could include bringing to light the significance of Jesus death and resurrection, as these events were then yet future and were among the things that his disciples did not understand.**
- **From that time forward Jesus Christ commenced showing his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the older men and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised up. (Matthew 16:21)**
- **At this Peter took him aside and commenced rebuking him, saying; Be kind to yourself, Lord; You will not have this destiny at all. (Matthew 16:22)**
- **But, turning his back, he said to Peter; Get behind me, Satan!**

You are a stumbling block to me, because you think, not God's thoughts, but those of men. (Matthew 16:23)

- **He is not here, but has been raised up. Recall how he spoke to you while he was yet in Galilee. (Luke 24:6)**
- **Saying that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be impaled and yet on the third day rise. (Luke 24:7)**
- **So they called his sayings to mind. (Luke 24:8)**
- **And he said to them; What things? They said to him; The things concerning Jesus the Nazarene, who became a prophet powerful in work and word before God and all the people. (Luke 24:19)**
- **And how our chief priests and rulers handed him over to the sentence of death and impaled him. (Luke 24:20)**
- **But we were hoping that this man was the one destined to deliver Israel, yes, and besides all these things, this makes the third day since these things occurred. (Luke 24:21)**
- **Moreover, certain women from among us also astonished us, because they had been early to the memorial tomb. (Luke 24:22)**
- **But did not find his body and they came saying they had also seen a supernatural sight of angels, who said he is alive. (Luke 24:23)**
- **Further, some of those with us went off to the memorial tomb, and they found it so, just as the women had said, but they did not see him. (Luke 24:24)**
- **So he said to them; O senseless ones and slow in heart to believe on all the things the prophets spoke! (Luke 24:25)**
- **Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and to enter into his glory? (Luke 24:26)**
- **And commencing at Moses and all the Prophets he interpreted to them things pertaining to himself in all the Scriptures. (Luke 24:27)**

- In answer Jesus said to them; Break down this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. ([John 2:19](#))
- Therefore the Jews said; This temple was built in forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days? ([John 2:20](#))
- But he was talking about the temple of his body. ([John 2:21](#))
- When, though, he was raised up from the dead, his disciples called to mind that he used to say this, and they believed the Scripture and the saying that Jesus said. ([John 2:22](#))
- But when Jesus had found a young ass, he sat on it, just as it is written. ([John 12:14](#))
- Have no fear, daughter of Zion. Look! Your king is coming, seated upon an ass colt. ([John 12:15](#))
- These things his disciples took no note of at first, but when Jesus became glorified, then they called to mind that these things were written respecting him and that they did these things to him. ([John 12:16](#))
- For they did not yet discern the scripture that he must rise from the dead. ([John 20:9](#))
- Of course, God's spirit later also enabled Christ's followers to foretell future happenings.
- One of them named Agabus rose and proceeded to indicate through the spirit that a great famine was about to come upon the entire inhabited earth, which, for that matter, did take place in the time of Claudius. ([Acts of Apostles 11:28](#))
- I know that after my going away oppressive wolves will enter in among you and will not treat the flock with tenderness. ([Acts of Apostles 20:29](#))
- And from among you yourselves men will rise and speak twisted things to draw away the disciples after themselves. ([Acts of Apostles 20:30](#))
- And he came to us and took up the girdle of Paul, bound his own feet and hands and said; Thus says the Holy Spirit, The man to

- whom this girdle belongs the Jews will bind in this manner in Jerusalem and deliver into the hands of people of the nations. **(Acts of Apostles 21:11)**
- However, the inspired utterance says definitely that in later periods of time some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to misleading inspired utterances and teachings of demons. **(1 Timothy 4:1)**
 - By the hypocrisy of men who speak lies, marked in their conscience as with a branding iron. **(1 Timothy 4:2)**
 - Forbidding to marry, commanding to abstain from foods which God created to be partaken of with thanksgiving by those who have faith and **accurately know the truth**. **(1 Timothy 4:3)**
 - Being **the spirit of the truth**, God's Holy Spirit could never be the source of error **but would protect Christ's followers from doctrinal falsehoods**. **Therefore God's spirit must always be followed!**
 - And as for you, the anointing that you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to be teaching you, but, as the anointing from him is teaching you about all things, and is true and is no lie, and just as it has taught you, remain in union with him. **(1 John 2:27)**
 - Beloved ones, do not believe every inspired expression, but test the inspired expressions to see whether they originate with God, because many false prophets have gone forth into the world. **(1 John 4:1)**
 - You gain the knowledge of the inspired expression from God by this. Every inspired expression that confesses Jesus Christ as having come in the flesh originates with God. **(1 John 4:2)**
 - But every inspired expression that does not confess Jesus does not originate with God. Furthermore, this is the antichrists inspired expression which you have heard was coming, and now it is already in the world. **(1 John 4:3)**
 - You originate with God, little children, and you have conquered those persons, because he that is in union with you is greater than he that is in union with the world. **(1 John 4:4)**

- They originate with the world, that is why they speak what proceeds from the world and the world listens to them. (**1 John 4:5**)
- We originate with God. He that gains the knowledge of God listens to us, he that does not originate with God does not listen to us. This is how we take note of the inspired expression of truth and the inspired expression of error. (**1 John 4:6**)
- It would bear witness to the truth regarding Jesus Christ. From Pentecost **33 C.E.** onward, God's spirit bore witness by helping Jesus disciples to understand the prophecies that clearly proved that Jesus was the Son of God. On the basis of these prophecies, they bore witness to others.
- When the helper arrives that I will send you from the Father, the spirit of the **truth**, which proceeds from the Father, that one will bear witness about me. (**John 15:26**)
- And you, in turn, are to bear witness, because you have been with me from when I began. (**John 15:27**)
- But Peter stood up with the eleven and raised his voice and made this utterance to them; Men of Judea and all you inhabitants of Jerusalem, let this be known to you and give ear to my sayings. (**Acts of Apostles 2:14**)
- These people are, in fact, not drunk, as you suppose, for it is the third hour of the day. (**Acts of Apostles 2:15**)
- On the contrary, this is what was said through the prophet Joel. (**Acts of Apostles 2:16**)
- And in the last days, God says; I shall pour out some of my spirit upon every sort of flesh, and your sons and your daughters will prophesy and your young men will see visions and your old men will dream dreams. (**Acts of Apostles 2:17**)
- And even upon my men slaves and upon my women slaves I will pour out some of my spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. (**Acts of Apostles 2:18**)
- And I will give portents in heaven above and signs on earth below, blood and fire and smoke mist. (**Acts of Apostles 2:19**)

- **The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and illustrious day of Yehowah arrives. (Acts of Apostles 2:20)**
- **And everyone who calls on the name of Yehowah will be saved. (Acts of Apostles 2:21)**
- **Men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus the Nazarene, a man publicly shown by God to you through powerful works and portents and signs that God did through him in your midst, just as you yourselves know. (Acts of Apostles 2:22)**
- **This man, as one delivered up by the determined counsel and foreknowledge of God, you fastened to a stake by the hand of lawless men and did away with. (Acts of Apostles 2:23)**
- **But God resurrected him by loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to continue to be held fast by it. (Acts of Apostles 2:24)**
- **For David says respecting him, I had Yehowah constantly before my eyes, because he is at my right hand that I may never be shaken. (Acts of Apostles 2:25)**
- **On this account my heart became cheerful and my tongue rejoiced greatly. Moreover, even my flesh will reside in hope. (Acts of Apostles 2:26)**
- **Because you will not leave my soul in Hades, neither will you allow your loyal one to see corruption. (Acts of Apostles 2:27)**
- **You have made lifes ways known to me, you will fill me with good cheer with your face. (Acts of Apostles 2:28)**
- **Men, brothers, it is allowable to speak with freeness of speech to you concerning the family head David, that he both deceased and was buried and his tomb is among us to this day. (Acts of Apostles 2:29)**
- **Therefore, because he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn to him with an oath that he would seat one from the fruitage of his loins upon his throne. (Acts of Apostles 2:30)**

- He saw beforehand and spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he forsaken in Hades nor did his flesh see corruption. (**Acts of Apostles 2:31**)
- This Jesus God resurrected, of which fact we are all witnesses. (**Acts of Apostles 2:32**)
- Therefore because he was exalted to the right hand of God and received the promised Holy Spirit from the Father, he has poured out this which you see and hear. (**Acts of Apostles 2:33**)
- Actually David did not ascend to the heavens, but he himself says; Yehowah said to my Lord; Sit at my right hand. (**Acts of Apostles 2:34**)
- Until I place your enemies as a stool for your feet. (**Acts of Apostles 2:35**)
- Therefore let all the house of Israel know for a certainty that God made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you impaled. (**Acts of Apostles 2:36**)
- Paul, a slave of Jesus Christ and called to be an apostle, separated to God's Good News. (**Romans 1:1**)
- Which he promised aforetime through his prophets in the holy Scriptures. (**Romans 1:2**)
- Concerning his Son, who sprang from the seed of David according to the flesh. (**Romans 1:3**)
- But who with power was declared God's Son according to the spirit of holiness by means of resurrection from the dead, yes, Jesus Christ our Lord. (**Romans 1:4**)
- Even before Pentecost, though, the spirit of the **truth** had been bearing witness to the fact that Jesus is the Son of God.
- Who is the one that conquers the world but he who has faith that Jesus is the Son of God? (**1 John 5:5**)
- This is he that came by means of water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only, but with the water and with the blood. And the spirit is that which is bearing witness, because the spirit

- is the **truth**. (1 John 5:6)
- For there are three witness bearers. (1 John 5:7)
 - The spirit and the water and the blood, and the three are in agreement. (1 John 5:8)
 - For it was by this spirit that Jesus was anointed and enabled to perform powerful works.
 - John also bore witness, saying; I viewed the spirit coming down as a dove out of heaven, and it remained upon him. (John 1:32)
 - Even I did not know him, but the very One who sent me to baptize in water said to me, Whoever it is upon whom you see the spirit coming down and remaining, this is the one that baptizes in Holy Spirit. (John 1:33)
 - And I have seen it, and I have borne witness that this one is the Son of God. (John 1:34)
 - If I am not doing the works of my Father, do not believe me. (John 10:37)
 - But if I am doing them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, in order, that you may come to know and may continue knowing that the Father is in union with me and I am in union with the Father. (John 10:38)
 - Namely, Jesus who was from Nazareth, how God anointed him with Holy Spirit and power, and he went through the land doing good and healing all those oppressed by the Devil, because God was with him. (Acts of Apostles 10:38)

See Also SPIRIT

· God's Word Is Truth

- God's Word presents things as they really are, revealing Yehowah's attributes, purposes, and commands, as well as the true state of affairs among mankind.
- God's Word of **truth** shows what is required for one to be sanctified or made holy, set apart for use by Yehowah in his service,

and then to remain in a sanctified state. Hence, Jesus could pray respecting his followers.

- Sanctify them **by means of the truth**. **Your word is truth**. (John 17:17)
- Because he willed it, he brought us forth by the word of **truth**, for us to be certain firstfruits of his creatures. (James 1:18)
- Their obedience to the revealed **truth** of God's Word led them into sanctification, the **truth** being the means by which they purified their souls.
- Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the **truth** with unhypocritical brotherly affection as the result, love one another intensely from the heart. (1 Peter 1:22)
- Thus they stood out as no part of the world that did not adhere to God's **truth**.
- They are no part of the world, just as I am no part of the world. (John 17:16)

•• Walking In The Truth

- Those who desire to gain God's approval should walk in his **truth** and serve him in **truth**.
- And now fear Yehowah and serve him in faultlessness and in **truth**, and remove the gods that your forefathers served on the other side of the River and in Egypt, and serve Yehowah. (Joshua 24:14)
- Only fear Yehowah, and you must serve him in **truth** with all your heart, for see what great things he has done for you. (1 Samuel 12:24)
- Make me know your own ways, O Yehowah, teach me your own paths. (Psalms 25:4)
- Make me walk in your **truth** and teach me, for you are my God of salvation. In you I have hoped all day long. (Psalms 25:5)
- For your loving-kindness is in front of my eyes, and I have

- walked in your **truth**. (**Psalms 26:3**)
- I have not sat with men of **untruth**, and with those who hide what they are I do not come in. (**Psalms 26:4**)
 - I have hated the congregation of evildoers, and with the wicked ones I do not sit. (**Psalms 26:5**)
 - I shall wash my hands in innocency itself, and I will march around your altar, O Yehowah. (**Psalms 26:6**)
 - Send out your light and your **truth**. May these themselves lead me. May they bring me to your holy mountain and to your grand tabernacle. (**Psalms 43:3**)
 - Instruct me, O Yehowah, about your way. I shall walk in your **truth**. Unify my heart to fear your name. (**Psalms 86:11**)
 - And to say; I beseech you, O Yehowah, remember, please, how I have walked before you in **truthfulness** and with a complete heart, and what was good in your eyes I have done. And Hezekiah began to weep profusely. (**Isaiah 38:3**)
 - **This would include abiding by God's requirements and serving him in faithfulness and sincerity. To a Samaritan woman Jesus Christ said,**
 - **Nevertheless, the hour is coming, and it is now, when the true worshipers will worship the Father with spirit and **truth**, for, indeed, the Father is looking for suchlike ones to worship him. (**John 4:23**)**
 - **God is a Spirit, and those worshiping him must worship with spirit and **truth**. (**John 4:24**)**
 - **Such worship could not be based on imagination but would have to conform to what is in harmony with the actual state of things, consistent with what God has revealed in his Word about himself and his purposes.**
 - **Christianity is **the way of the truth**.**
 - **Furthermore, many will follow their acts of loose conduct, and on account of these **the way of the truth** will be spoken of abusively.**

(2 Peter 2:2)

- **And those who assist others in furthering the interests of Christianity become fellow workers in the truth.**
- **We, therefore, are under obligation to receive such persons hospitably, that we may become fellow workers in the truth. (3 John 1:8)**
- **The entire body of Christian teachings, which later became part of the written Word of God, is the truth or the truth of the Good News. Adherence to this truth, walking in it, is essential if an individual is to gain salvation.**
- **However, for those who are contentious and who disobey the truth but obey unrighteousness there will be wrath and anger. (Romans 2:8)**
- **But we have renounced the underhanded things of which to be ashamed, not walking with cunning, neither adulterating the word of God, but by making the truth manifest recommending ourselves to every human conscience in the sight of God. (2 Corinthians 4:2)**
- **But you also hoped in him after you heard the word of truth, the Good News about your salvation. By means of him also, after you believed, you were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 1:13)**
- **Whose will is that all sorts of men should be saved and come to an accurate knowledge of truth. (1 Timothy 2:4)**
- **And they will turn their ears away from the truth, whereas they will be turned aside to false stories. (2 Timothy 4:4)**
- **Paul, a slave of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ according to the faith of God's chosen ones and the accurate knowledge of the truth which accords with godly devotion (Titus 1:1)**
- **Paying no attention to Jewish fables and commandments of men who turn themselves away from the truth. (Titus 1:14)**
- **For if we practice sin willfully after having received the accurate knowledge of the truth, there is no longer any sacrifice for sins**

left. (**Hebrews 10:26**)

- The older man to the chosen lady and to her children, whom I truly love, and not I alone, but all those also who have come to know the **truth**. (**2 John 1:1**)
- Because of the **truth** that remains in us, and it will be with us forever. (**2 John 1:2**)
- There will be with us undeserved kindness, mercy and peace from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Son of the Father, with **truth** and love. (**2 John 1:3**)
- I rejoice very much because I have found certain ones of your children walking in the **truth**, just as we received commandment from the Father. (**2 John 1:4**)
- For I rejoiced very much when brothers came and bore witness to the **truth** you hold, just as you go on walking in the truth. (**3 John 1:3**)
- No greater cause for thankfulness do I have than these things, that I should be hearing that my children go on walking in the **truth**. (**3 John 1:4**)
- In the case of those who conduct themselves aright, the **truth** the conformity of their ways to God's Word and the actual results of their course testifies to the fact that they are examples worthy of imitation.
- Beloved one, be an imitator, not of what is bad, but of what is good. He that does good originates with God. He that does bad has not seen God. (**3 John 1:11**)
- Demetrius has had witness borne to him by them all and by the **truth** itself. In fact, we, also, are bearing witness, and you know that the witness we give is true. (**3 John 1:12**)
- On the other hand, a person who departs from the basic teachings of Christianity, either by conducting himself improperly or by advocating false doctrine, is no longer walking in the **truth**.
- This was the situation of those who insisted that circumcision was necessary in order for one to gain salvation. Their teaching was

contrary to Christian truth, and those who accepted it ceased to obey the truth or walk in it.

- **Nevertheless, not even Titus, who was with me, was compelled to be circumcised, although he was a Greek. (Galatians 2:3)**
- **But because of the false brothers brought in quietly, who sneaked in to spy upon our freedom which we have in union with Christ Jesus, that they might completely enslave us. (Galatians 2:4)**
- **To these we did not yield by way of submission, no, not for an hour, in order, that the **truth** of the Good News might continue with you. (Galatians 2:5)**
- **See! I, Paul, am telling you that if you become circumcised, Christ will be of no benefit to you. (Galatians 5:2)**
- **Moreover, I bear witness again to every man getting circumcised that he is under obligation to perform the whole Law. (Galatians 5:3)**
- **You are parted from Christ, whoever you are that try to be declared righteous by means of Law. You have fallen away from his undeserved kindness. (Galatians 5:4)**
- **For our part we by spirit are eagerly waiting for the hoped-for righteousness as a result of faith. (Galatians 5:5)**
- **For as regards Christ Jesus neither circumcision is of any value nor is uncircumcision, but faith operating through love is. (Galatians 5:6)**
- **You were running well. Who hindered you from keeping on obeying the **truth**? (Galatians 5:7)**
- **Similarly, when the apostle Peter, by his actions, made an improper distinction between Jews and non-Jews, the apostle Paul corrected him for not walking in harmony with the **truth of the Good News**.**
- **But when I saw they were not walking straight according to the **truth of the Good News**, I said to Cephas before them all; If you, though you are a Jew, live as the nations do, and not as Jews do,**

how is it that you are compelling people of the nations to live according to Jewish practice? ([Galatians 2:14](#))

· A Pillar And Support Of The Truth

- The Christian congregation serves as, a pillar and support of the truth, preserving the purity of the truth and defending and upholding it.
- But in case I am delayed, that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in God's household, which is the congregation of the living God, a pillar and support of the truth. ([1 Timothy 3:15](#))
- For this reason it is especially important that those entrusted with oversight in the congregation be able to handle the word of the truth aright.
- Proper use of God's Word enables them to combat false teaching in the congregation, instructing those not favorably disposed, as perhaps God may give them repentance leading to an accurate knowledge of truth.
- Do your utmost to present yourself approved to God, a workman with nothing to be ashamed of, handling the word of the truth aright. ([2 Timothy 2:15](#))
- But shun empty speeches that violate what is holy, for they will advance to more and more ungodliness. ([2 Timothy 2:16](#))
- And their word will spread like gangrene. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of that number. ([2 Timothy 2:17](#))
- These very men have deviated from the truth, saying that the resurrection has already occurred, and they are subverting the faith of some. ([2 Timothy 2:18](#))
- Instructing with mildness those not favorably disposed, as perhaps God may give them repentance leading to an accurate knowledge of truth. ([2 Timothy 2:25](#))
- For from these arise those men who slyly work their way into households and lead as their captives weak women loaded down with sins, led by various desires. ([2 Timothy 3:6](#))

- Always learning and yet never able to come to an accurate knowledge of truth. (2 Timothy 3:7)
- Now in the way that Jannes and Jambres resisted Moses, so these also go on resisting the truth, men completely corrupted in mind, disapproved as regards the faith. (2 Timothy 3:8)
- Is there anyone suffering evil among you? Let him carry on prayer. Is there anyone in good spirits? Let him sing psalms. (James 5:13)
- Is there anyone sick among you? Let him call the older men of the congregation to him, and let them pray over him, greasing him with oil in the name of Yehowah. (James 5:14)
- And the prayer of faith will make the indisposed one well, and Yehowah will raise him up. Also, if he has committed sins, it will be forgiven him. (James 5:15)
- Therefore openly confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may get healed. A righteous man's supplication, when it is at work, has much force. (James 5:16)
- Elijah was a man with feelings like ours, and yet in prayer he prayed for it not to rain, and it did not rain upon the land for three years and six months. (James 5:17)
- And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the land put forth its fruit. (James 5:18)
- My brothers, if anyone among you is misled from the truth and another turns him back. (James 5:19)
- Know that he who turns a sinner back from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins. (James 5:20)
- Not all qualify to do this kind of instructing, or teaching, in the congregation. Men who have bitter jealousies and are contentious have no basis for bragging about their being qualified to teach. Their claim would be false.
- As the disciple James wrote.

- **Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show out of his fine conduct his works with a mildness that belongs to wisdom. (James 3:13)**
- **But if you have bitter jealousy and contentiousness in your hearts, do not be bragging and lying against the truth. (James 3:14)**
- **For the Christian congregation to be a pillar and support of the truth, the members thereof must, through fine conduct, manifest the truth in their lives.**
- **For the fruitage of the light consists of every sort of goodness and righteousness and truth. (Ephesians 5:9)**
- **They have to be consistent and undeviating in right conduct, as if girded about with truth.**
- **Stand firm, therefore, with your loins girded about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness. (Ephesians 6:14)**
- **Besides maintaining personal purity, Christians must be concerned about congregational purity. When emphasizing the need to keep the Christian congregation clean from the defilement of lawless persons, the apostle Paul wrote.**
- **Clear away the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, according as you are free from ferment. For, indeed, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. (1 Corinthians 5:7)**
- **Consequently let us keep the festival, not with old leaven, neither with leaven of badness and wickedness, but with unfermented cakes of sincerity and truth. (1 Corinthians 5:8)**
- **Since Jesus Christ was sacrificed only once.**
- **Neither is it in order, that he should offer himself often, as indeed the High Priest enters into the holy place from year to year with blood not his own. (Hebrews 9:25)**
- **Otherwise, he would have to suffer often from the founding of the world. But now he has manifested himself once for all time at the conclusion of the systems of things to put sin away**

through the sacrifice of himself. (**Hebrews 9:26**)

- **And as it is reserved for men to die once for all time, but after this a judgment. (**Hebrews 9:27**)**
- **So also the Christ was offered once for all time to bear the sins of many, and the second time that he appears it will be apart from sin and to those earnestly looking for him for their salvation. (**Hebrews 9:28**)**
- **As the reality of the Passover lamb, the entire life course of the Christian, comparable to the Festival of Unfermented Cakes, should be free from injuriousness and wickedness.**
- **There must be a willingness to remove what is sinful to maintain personal and congregational purity and thus to keep the festival with **unfermented cakes of sincerity and truth.****