

The Truth

Proverbs 9:10 – “The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.”

John 14:6 – “Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

Romans 1:19 – “For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.”

Romans 1:20-23 – “For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.”

2 Thessalonians 2:9-12 – “The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.”

John 8:31-32 – “Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

1. Abide in the Word
2. True disciples Abide in Jesus' word
3. By abiding in the word you will know the Truth
4. The Truth in the Word of Jesus will set you free

In Christ...the Word, the Truth	In World...the alternative...
Abide in the Word	...leave the Word to look elsewhere...
True disciples abide in Jesus' Word	...seek Christ in experience, emotions, spiritual manifestations, mysticism, wisdom of the world...
Abide in Word to know Truth	...deception, confusion, searching...
Knowing the Truth (the Word) will set you Free	...captivity, bondage, slavery, oppression.

“See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.

For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.”

– Colossians 2:8-10