

## ‘Truth’ of ‘Truce’

**Text: Psalms 26**

### **Introduction:**

1. Do we have the ‘**Truth**’ of God or the ‘Truce of God’?
  - a. Many professing Christians today are walking in the ‘**truce**’ of God whether than the ‘**truth**’ of God.
  - b. **Truth** - Conformity to **fact** or actuality, Fidelity to an original or a **standard**, Reality; **actuality**.
  - c. **Truce** - A temporary cessation or suspension of hostilities **by agreement** of the opposing sides; an armistice.
  - d. *Truth is the truth no matter who believes it and the truth will always be the truth.*
  - e. Meanwhile ‘truce’ **implies** that **compromise** (*on our part – not God’s part – He does not compromise*) is in the wind and compromising the truth is **never right** no matter what!!!
2. As Christian’s, we are to daily examine ourselves to see if we are abiding in ‘**Truth**’ with God, or, in ‘**Truce**’ with God, because *we are in one or the other.*  
From our text tonight, we are going to look at some of the things that are sometimes compromised for the truth instead of the actual truth.

### **I. Trusting In God Without Wavering (v1)**

- A. Do we fully believe that God is our creator and that He created everything in the universe and He did it in six days and the universe and everything in it is less than 10,000 years old – *walking in ‘truth*
  1. Or, do we buy into the lies that are propagated by Satan that God did not create everything in six days, whether than millions of years as many believe – walking in ‘truce.
- B. Do we fully trust in His Scriptures that they ALL are inspired of God – *walking in ‘truth*
  1. Or, do we, as some believe, the Bible contains some truths and good stories, but they are not ALL inspired by God – walking in ‘truce.
- C. Do we fully trust and have a belief in God that we OBEY ALL of His commands as set forth, not only for the plan of salvation, but, also in how we are to live our daily lives – *walking in ‘truth.*
  1. Or, do we as many in the religious world today, pick and choose **what we deem** as necessary to obey in the plan or salvation or how to live for Christ – walking in ‘truce.
- D. Do we fully trust God in leading us in our daily walk – putting Him first, - *walking in ‘truth* – “*seek first His kingdom and His righteousness,*” **Matthew 6:33**
  1. Or, to we go out in front of God putting our trust in ourselves or others – walking in ‘truce
- E. Do we have full confidence and faith in our Great God that He will do as He said that He would, - *walking in ‘truth*
  1. Or, do we waver and say in our own mind that this is too big for God to handle? – walking in ‘truce
- F. Do we fully trust in God to answer our prayers giving our burdens to Him and let Him handle our problems, - *walking in ‘truth*
  1. Or, do we take our burdens back upon ourselves and TRY and handle it ourselves. – walking in ‘truce
- G. Do we fully trust in God and all of His promises that He has promised by remaining faithful – *walking in ‘truth*

1. Or, do we say to ourselves or let others tell us that we can never achieve the promises that God has promised – walking in 'truce.

## II. Do We Proclaim His Life Saving Message Far and Wide (v7)

- A. By being examples of Christ – *walking in 'truth*
  1. Or, are we like the rest of the world in **the way that we talk, act, and dress and have our priorities letting many things come between us and God** – walking in 'truce
- B. Daily proclaiming the life saving gospel message that we have been left with, and commanded by Jesus Himself to go into all the world and proclaim the gospel message - *walking in 'truth*
  1. Or, are we timid and afraid of what others will say – walking in 'truce
  2. We must remember that God has given us the power of His word which is able to cut to the bone, and truth is what will set man free and if God is for us who can be against us. Today we have the greatest power in the world with God on our side and we **must never forget this power** – *walking in 'truth*

## III. Assembling With The Saints (v8)

- A. Do we love to assemble with the saints whenever they meet, *walking in 'truth*
  1. Or, do we think it is permissible, in our own thinking, to meet with the saints, for example once a month, one hour a week or just meet with them when you feel like it – walking in truce.
- B. Do we love to assemble with the saints upon the first day of the week to commune with our Savior in taking of the Lord's Supper, *walking in truth*
  1. Or, do we think like the rest of the religious world, that it is not necessary to take of the Lord's Supper each and every first day of the week – walking in truce.
- C. Do we love to assemble with the saints to hear God's word taught and preached – *walking in 'truth* – “*So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.*” – **Romans 10:17**
  1. Or, do we think in our own mind that we know it all, or we do not need to hear God's word taught and preached except when I have time or feel like it – walking in 'truce – for God has told us “*present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.*” – **2 Timothy 2:15**

## Conclusion:

1. Are we trying to be a 'make believe Christian, in having a 'truce with God or are we a trying to be a true Christian in *walking in the 'truth of God*?
  - a. That question is for each and every one of us to answer – God wants a 'full' time Christian with NO compromises in His truths.
  - b. Compromises have never worked with God and never will.
  - c. His truth is to be followed no matter what.
  - d. For it is Jesus who said that “*I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.*” – **John 14:6** and said “*Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.*” **John 17:17**
2. Are we walking in the 'truth or the 'truce?
3. For you see, God has always meant what He has said and it is for our own good, our own safety, our own peace, our own joy and only abiding in the truth will we ever have eternal life – abiding means '**OBEDIENCE TO HIS TRUTH** – “*And having been made*

*perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation,*” –  
**Hebrews 5:9**

4. We are told that "*God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.*" – **John 4:24** – this statement, by Jesus Christ, is not a suggestion, it is a **command** – worship **MUST BE** in spirit and truth.

**There is a BIG difference between ‘Truth’ and ‘Truce’  
A matter of life and death.**