

STANDING UP IN A FALLING WORLD SERMON SERIES



JOHN 18:33-38 | CHRIS WINANS | FEBRUARY 21, 2021

KNOWING TRUTH

Read Psalm 19:1-4 and Romans 1:20. How do these verses speak about acquiring knowledge? Do you believe objective truth can be known through observing the way the world was created?

Read John 14:16-17 and 17:14-17. How does Jesus say we can know the truth? What is Jesus asking for in this part of the prayer in John 17? On what basis is Jesus asking that his followers acquire truth?

Read Ephesians 1:11-14. How does Paul write about where truth is heard? How does knowledge of salvation impact the way we encounter all truth? Why is knowing God's purposes integral to how we acquire knowledge?

SPEAKING TRUTH

Do we have the right to define our own concept and meaning of existence? Why or why not?

Read Philippians 3:4-9. How is Paul's testimony evidence of what he counts as truth? How does his life correspond to what he preaches?

Read Ephesians 4:15 and Colossians 3:9-10. Why is it important for our speech and our actions to reflect the reality of our faith in Christ? What happens to our witness for Christ if our words do not correspond with reality?

LIVING TRUTH

Read John 18:33-38. Describe this interaction between Pilate and Jesus. What does Jesus say is the purpose of his life? How is Pilate's response still reflective of so many today?

Read John 15:26-27. What is the Spirit's role in our witness to the truth? Can you give testimony to how the Spirit has done this work in your life? Describe for the group a situation where this occurred.

Read 1 Cor 13:1-3. How is Paul asking this church to bear witness to the truth? Do you know anyone who has knowledge but not love? How does this kind of knowledge advance God's kingdom? In what ways can you be a more effective witness to the truth of Jesus?