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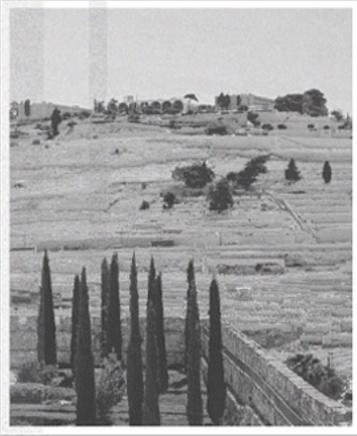


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BELIEVE

“Truth Telling”

John 18:28-40



The Book of John

The Word Became Flesh

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. 9 The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. 11 He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. 12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. 15 (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.'") 16 For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. 17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.



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Truth and the Gospel of John

1. Of the 97 times that the word "truth" is used in the New Testament, 46 appear in John's writings. For the word "true", 40 out of 66 are in John's writings.



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"The true light, which gives light to every man, was coming into the world, and the world did not receive him." He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. He who comes to his own, and his own people do not receive him, who believes in him, that he may have life through him, who does not believe in him, shall be condemned. He who does not believe in the Son of God, who does not believe in the light that has come into the world, shall be condemned. He who does not believe in the Son of God, who does not believe in the light that has come into the world, shall be condemned.

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➤ Pilate was a pragmatist, who wasn't interested primarily in justice, but stability.



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"You found out more about signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in the books. That is how you were able to find out about Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God, and thus by believing you may have life in His name."

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Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" (18:38)



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Biblical Truth is...

1. Not false
2. Moral excellence
3. Authentic and ultimate
4. Faithful and trustworthy

Revelation 19:11 Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True.

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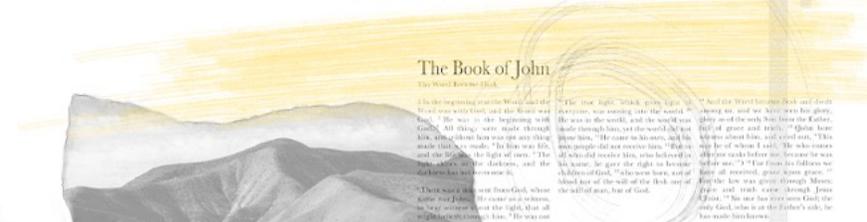
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For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have
come into the world—to bear witness to the truth.
Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.



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