



The Case for Truth

John 18:37-38

Series Summary

The Case for Christ and Christianity has remained a polarizing issue for centuries. Skeptics and seekers strive to poke holes in the reality of the resurrection and the reliability of the Word of God yet the facts have continued to remain valid and true throughout every era. This series will provide reasonable evidence regarding four major areas of the Christian faith: (1) The Case for the Resurrection, (2) The Case for Christ, (3) The Case for Truth, and (4) The Case for Hope. Join us as we study the Reality of the Word of God and the evidence supporting the life and ministry of Jesus Christ.

Quote

“Men stumble over the truth from time to time, but most pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing happened.” – **Winston Churchill**

Main Text

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (ESV) – ¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

Big Idea – Truth Brings Freedom, Restoration, and Redemption

Three Facts to Learn About Truth

Fact #1

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The culture doesn't dictate truth; the Gospel dictates truth. – **Voddie Baucham**

Fact #1 – Truth is a Reality that Transforms You With Wisdom in a World of Foolishness

Fact #2

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Fact #2 – Truth is a Gift from God that Convicts and Compels You with Certainty in a World of Uncertainty

Fact #3

1 Corinthians 1:22-25 (ESV) – ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

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Truth is objective because God exists outside ourselves; it is universal because God is above all; it is constant because God is eternal. Absolute truth is absolute because it originates from the original. – **Josh McDowell**

Fact #3 – Truth is the Absolute Unchanging Hope in a Changing World

Memory Verse

John 8:31-32 (NLT) – ³¹Jesus said to the people who believed in him, “You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. ³²And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

Challenge:

You are called to consistently apply the divine principles and truths found in the Word of God. Take the next step in your study by (1) Discussing and applying the sermon with your small group, (2) Participating in a Sunday School class, or (3) Study through the study guide found at the Connection Point.