

Truth and Circumstance 4

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Freed by the truth

- The truth makes us free. This is a powerful statement and it works in the natural as well as the spiritual. *John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*
- The word says that we will know the truth, speaking of the truth from God. But hearing the truth and not doing it causes us to deceive ourselves. *James 1:22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. We begin to believe we are of the truth when we are really forgetting who the truth was for. James 1:23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.*
- The truth becomes trivial when we have no balance. When we are not content or pleased with ourselves naturally, then we will use the spiritual to boost our esteem. We must learn that there is an important balance that must be maintained in order to walk in truth.

Balanced Life

- We must learn to balance God's truth and truth in this life so that we can be spiritually and naturally healthy. *3John 2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.*
- We cannot preach the healing power of God and eat ourselves into sickness and disease. We cannot preach that God provides for his people and yet we never have provision.
- We can't teach truth and be constant victims of bad choices in this life. No matter what we know or what we think we know, we must first apply truth to ourselves before we can truly be free. For truth to be received from us, it has to be seen on us! *2Pet. 1:8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall*



neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Natural Truth

- There are spiritual truths of the word of God that will help us overcome spiritual issues and grow in God's light. But there are natural truths as men and women that we must learn from mature believers in order to function in the earth. *1Tim. 3:5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)*
- Learning to provide for your family, love your wife, and care for your home is something that men should learn from other men. Learning to take care of your husband, home and children is something that the older women should teach the younger women. *Titus 2:4 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,*
- The bible doesn't teach these things in detail but it tells us who should be teaching them. If we do not learn these things, then the spiritual will become a stumbling block for us because without natural balance, the spiritual becomes ineffective. *1Tim. 3:7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.*

Summary

Absolute truth exists in the natural as well as the spiritual realm. In the natural, if you do not work, you do not eat. In the natural, if you overeat, you will be unhealthy. In the natural, if you do not pay your bills, balance your money, or give of your earnings, then you will struggle in this life. We must understand that embracing truth is broader than just claiming salvation. It's lining up with the word in the natural as well. Being a provider, a help meet, or a responsible person period, is all apart of walking in truth. And when we commit to follow after truth, our lives will reflect God in every way.



John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.