

Truth! An Armor

Part 1

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
And righteousness shall look down from heaven.

Psalm 85:11 (NKJV)

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Definition of True & Truth

Dictionary.com

True

- In accordance with fact or reality.
- Accurate or exact.

Truth

- The quality or state of being true.

Definition of Armor

[Dictionary.com](#)

-The metal coverings formerly worn by soldiers or warriors to protect the body in battle.

Biblical Definition of Truth.

John 17:17 (NIV)

¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth;
your word is truth.

John 14:6 (NIV)

⁶ Jesus answered, “I am the way and
the truth and the life. No one comes to
the Father except through me.



The WORD (JESUS) = Truth.

Base Text

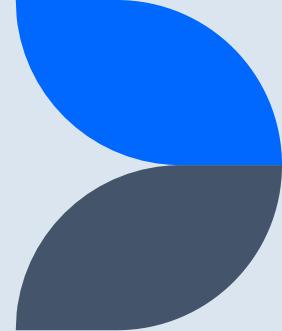
Psalm 85:11

NKJV

Truth shall spring out of the earth, And righteousness shall look down from heaven.

NLT

Truth springs up from the earth, and righteousness **smiles** down from heaven.



Humans have the tendency to lie, and the bible acknowledges!

Numbers 23:19 (NIV)

¹⁹ **God is not human, that he should lie,** not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?

Who is a liar?

1) One who does not tell the truth.

2) One who conceals hatred.

Proverbs 10:18 (NLT)

¹⁸ Hiding hatred makes you a liar; slandering others makes you a fool.

3) One who lives in (spiritual) darkness.

1 John 1:6 (NLT)

⁶ So we are **lying** if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth.



Who is a liar?

4) The Wicked

Psalm 58:3 (NKJV)

³The wicked are estranged from the womb;
They go astray as soon as they are born, speaking **lies**.

5) Can be compared to a Madman

Proverbs 26:18-19 (NLT)

¹⁸Just as damaging as a madman shooting a deadly weapon

¹⁹is someone who **lies** to a friend and then says, “I was only joking.”



Who is a liar?

6) One who hates their victims

Proverbs 26:28 (NLT)

²⁸ A **lying tongue** hates its victims, and flattering words cause ruin.

7) One, whose Father is Satan!

John 8:42-47 (NLT)



John 8:42-47 (NLT)

42 Jesus told them, “If God were your Father, you would love me, because I have come to you from God. I am not here on my own, but he sent me.

43 Why can’t you understand what I am saying? It’s because you can’t even hear me!

44 For you are the children of your father the devil, and you love to do the evil things he does. He was a murderer from the beginning. He has always hated the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies.

45 So when I tell the truth, you just naturally don’t believe me!

46 Which of you can truthfully accuse me of sin? And since I am telling you the truth, why don’t you believe me?

47 Anyone who belongs to God listens gladly to the words of God. But you don’t listen because you don’t belong to God.”

- **John 8:32 (KJV)**

³² And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

- (i) Knowing The Truth is an instruction; it's not optional.**
- (ii) The Truth makes us FREE.**
- (iii) Relative truth keep us BOUND.**



- Psalm 85:11 (NKJV)

¹¹Truth shall spring out of the earth, And righteousness shall look down from heaven.

We are products / representation of the earth, therefore, let's endeavor to ...

- Live the truth
- Speak the truth
- Act the truth

Avoid hypocrisy!!!



Truth is a very relevant Offensive and Defensive spiritual armor

- **Offensive: Proactive**
- **Defensive: Reactive**

Offensive

Living in a state of truthfulness, shields and guards us against any open door(s) of attack. The enemy will not have a foot hole.

Defensive

When the enemy attacks, using truth (The Word) as a weapon to overcome is very necessary.

- Ephesians 6:11-14a (NKJV)

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth...

- Truth is an armor.
- Truth is the foundation of all armors. Every armor is only as effective as truth!
- Truth is what we use to overcome principalities, powers, rulers of the darkness of this age, and spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.
- Sometimes we convince ourselves that we have taken the whole armor of God, yet we purposefully leave truth behind, then expect everything else to work.
- The whole Armor! Including truth as an armor, will help us withstand the evil day!

Let Us Pray!

1) Repentance

Repent! Repent! Repent!

Acts 3:9 (NIV)

'Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,

The Greek term for repentance, metanoia, denotes a change of mind,



Let Us Pray!

2) Bear Fruit

Matthew 3:8 (ESV)

⁸ Bear fruit in keeping with repentance.



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3) Prayer of Deliverance

- Psalm 120:2 (NKJV)

Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips
And from a deceitful tongue.

- Psalm 5:6 (NLT)

You will destroy those who tell lies. The LORD detests murderers and deceivers



Let Us Pray!

4) Remove lies far from me

- Psalm 119:29 (NKJV)

Remove from me the way of lying, And grant me
Your law graciously.

- Proverbs 30:8a (NKJV)

Remove falsehood and lies far from me...



5) Close doors of opportunity that give the devil a foot hole.

- Psalm 31:18 (BSB)

May lying lips be silenced—lips that speak with arrogance against the righteous, full of pride and contempt.

- Psalm 109:2 (NKJV)

For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful are opened against me: they have spoken against me with a lying tongue.

- Psalm 119:69 (NKJV)

The proud have forged a lie against me, *But I will keep Your precepts with my whole heart.*

6) Receive the Lord's Promise

- Job 5:21 (NIV)

You will be protected from the lash of the tongue, and need not fear when destruction comes.



7) Let's makeup our minds

- Psalm 119:163 (NIV)

I hate and abhor lying, *But I love Your law.*



**8) Open up a fountain IN YOUR life; family; home,
etc.**

- Zechariah 13:1 (NIV)

**“On that day a fountain will be opened to the
house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem,
to cleanse them from sin and impurity.**

- Proverbs 14:27 (NIV)

**The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, turning a
person from the snares of death.**





Communion

John 14:6 (NIV)

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

- The Way
- The Truth
- The Life