

Jesus Came to Tell Us the Truth

SERIES: WHAT JESUS CAME TO DO - Part 3 of 4

John 4:4-42

John 18:37 (NCV). "Pilate said, 'So You are a king!' Jesus answered, 'You are the one saying I am a king. This is why I was born and came into this world, to tell people the truth. And everyone who belongs to the truth listens to Me.'"

Truth #1 - The truth of it is, I cannot hide my PAST from God.

THREE INEFFECTIVE WAYS TO DEAL WITH SIN IN OUR LIFE:

1. We try to IGNORE our sin.
2. We try to deal with sin through sheer DETERMINATION to do good.
3. We try to deal with sin by – we INDULGE sin.

TAKE A FIRST STEP TOWARD TRUTH:
Be honest with YOURSELF and be honest with GOD!

Truth #2 - The truth of it is, Jesus knows ALL ABOUT ME, and still loves me.

Every *saint has a past* and every *sinner has a future!*

TAKE A SECOND STEP TOWARD TRUTH:
Believe that the one who KNOWS you best,
LOVES you most!

Truth #3 - The truth is, my sin has its CONSEQUENCES.

Galatians 6:7,8 (Message) "What a person plants, he will harvest. The person who plants selfishness, ignoring the needs of others - ignoring God! - harvests a crop of weeds. All he'll have to show for his life is weeds! But the one who plants in response to God, letting God's Spirit do the growth work in him, harvests a crop of real life, eternal life."

TAKE A THIRD STEP TOWARD TRUTH:
Understand that God loves us just the way we are,
but He loves us enough not to **LEAVE US** that way.

Truth #4 - The truth of it is, Jesus is the only one who can satisfy my **DEEPEST NEED.**

John 4:10 (NAS) "If you knew who I was, you would have asked Me and I would have given you living water."

John 4:14 (NAS) "Whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst again, but the water I give shall become inside a well of water springing up to eternal life."

Psalm 42:1,2 (NLT) "As a deer pants for streams of water, so I long for You, O God. I thirst for God, the living God."

Isaiah 12:2,3 (NLT) "See, God has come to save me. I will trust in Him and not be afraid. The Lord God is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. With joy you will drink deeply from the fountain of salvation."

Revelation 21:6 (NAS) Jesus said, "I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost."

FINAL STEPS TO TRUTH -
Admit your **EMPTINESS** and
ACCEPT Jesus' offer of satisfaction.

John 7:37 (NLT) "If you are thirsty, come to Me! If you believe in Me, come and drink!"