

The Book of 2 John Message 1

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John 14:6 “Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**”

John 17:17-19 “**Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.** ¹⁸ **As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.** ¹⁹ **And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.**”

Galatians 2:5 “To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.”

Galatians 2:14 “But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?”

1 John 5:6 “This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.”

John 14:7 “**Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.**”

2 Corinthians 11:10 “As the truth of Christ is in me, no man shall stop me of this boasting in the regions of Achaia. “

1 John 3:19-22 “And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him. ²⁰ For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. ²¹ Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. ²² And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.”

John 18:37-38a “Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, **Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.** ³⁸ Pilate saith unto him, What is truth?”

Matthew 11:28-30 “**Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.** ²⁹ **Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.** ³⁰ **For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.**”

I. Truth is the Necessary Condition of Love

“Truth without love is brutality, and love without truth is hypocrisy” Warren Wiersbe

1 John 2:9-11 “Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning. ⁸ Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth. ⁹ He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. ¹⁰ He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. ¹¹ But

he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.”

II. Truth is the Necessary Condition of Unity

1 Peter 1:18-23 “Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; ¹⁹ But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: ²⁰ Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, ²¹ Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God. ²² Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently: ²³ Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.”

“Christians’ deep, mutual affection flows out of their shared commitment to the truth.” John MacArthur

III. The Necessary Application of Commitment

Romans 12:1-2 “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service. ² And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”