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# Jesus way

## WEEK 3 | Jesus is The Truth

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### TALK ABOUT IT

1. What is a key truth that you hold to?
2. What is one of your favorite examples (from the Bible) where Jesus is/tells the Truth?
3. How are you uniquely gifted to speak truth? Who do you get to spend regular time with? What conversations are you a part of?

### LOOK AT THE WORD

*When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry." Then he went up and touched the bier ... [and] said, "Young man, I say to you, get up!" The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.*

Luke 7:13-15

- Jesus spoke new truth into the widow's experience without her first declaration of belief in him.
  - What is the connection between "Jesus' heart" and the Truth He represented in her circumstances?
  - What are other examples when Jesus interjects His truth into peoples' circumstances?
- Knowing the Truth of Jesus and resurrection: how did this change how the disciples followed after seeing this resurrection and experiencing Jesus'?

*Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect... 1 Peter 3:15*

- What questions were Peter's listeners/readers facing?
- What did it mean for the early Church to be prepared to give an answer?
- What did Peter mean when he said to

## LOOK INWARD

*My truth is my truth.*

- What does it look like today to experience Jesus as “the Truth”, especially when everyone has their own “truth”?
- What are key elements that are *essential* to truth?
- What elements of your truth are rooted in Jesus? Are there places in your truth that aren’t from Jesus?

Back in our “Known For” series in the fall, we talked about Grace & Truth, and this stirred up some amazing conversations in our church. In October, Scott said, “Truth without grace is mean. Grace without truth is meaningless.”

- Why can truth without grace seem ‘mean’?
- Why can grace without truth be ‘meaningless’?

Scott said, “how you view Jesus will ultimately inform how you view yourself. And how you view yourself will ultimately inform how you live your life.”

- How is this phrase true?
  - What questions do you still have?

## LOOK OUTWARD

*When navigating someone else’s truth:*

- what are important things you need to consider about how you share your truth?
- why is it important that they feel heard/listened to, in addition to you sharing?

“Jesus is the visible representation of who God the Father is.”

- Many people don’t have a relationships with God because they have a wrong perspective of who God is.
  - What do you think your friends and neighbours think about God?
  - What steps can you take to share the Truth that Jesus is the visible representation of God?

## SO WHAT?

*Jesus as the Truth changes how you live your life.*

## BREATH PRAYER

*Jesus, change my steps because you are Truth.*

## **FURTHER RESOURCES**

### **LECTIO 365**

We believe daily Bible reading is essential to the lives of Jesus followers. We LOVE using Lectio 365. Each day includes a day time reflection and an evening meditation on God's Word. Find the Lectio 365 app at :

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/resource/lectio-365/>

### **P.R.A.Y.**

We started our year by praying for ourselves, our families, our Church, our neighbourhoods and our world. Consider continuing this rhythm: 5 days of prayer for each of the 5 days of the week. Revisit the P.R.A.Y. days on our YouTube channel and social media.

## **NEVER STOP PRAYING**

- Praise God that He is The Truth
- Praise God that we can build our life on Him as a foundation
- Pray for those grieving the loss of loved ones this season
- Pray for our Trinity Kids team as they continue to invest deeply in families and partner with parents and caregivers
- Pray for our youth that they would discover Jesus as their Truth
- Pray for our courses as they gather: Alpha, The Bible Course, Emotionally Healthy Relationships and Healing Through Separation