WORD OF TRUTH

God has given man an intuitive ability. He knows the difference between right and wrong; truth and lies.

Absolute truth is absolutely right.

Even unbelievers desire a little truth. If there is truth we usually get right judgment. Right judgment is said to be justice. Justice brings righteous equality into society. Unfortunately, God is the only One who can give us absolute truth. We all know that half truth causes a lack of justice and this causes argument and argument causes wars and wars bring poverty. Poverty is the worldwide curse that causes misery and unhappiness.

Heb 1:1 God who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets.

God used His laws, ceremonies, kings, judges, prophets to speak. However, without Prophets to speak on behalf of God man would lack spiritual direction and divine purpose.

Heb 1:2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

"Last days" usually means the present gospel dispensation. God is now speaking through His son, who is all truth.

READ: John 1:1-3, Genesis 1:1, "Truth is creative" Psalms 33:9

Psa 33:9 For he spake, and it was *done*; he commanded, and it stood fast.

John 3:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

One of the characteristics of the Lord Jesus Christ is truth. His Word of Truth will set you free.

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.

1 John 2:4: He that saith, I know Him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

When we really know Jesus Christ personally and obey His word of truth, then the truth will be found in us.

Titus 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which **God**, **that cannot lie**, promised before the world began:

Heb 6:18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was* impossible for God to lie,

If it is "impossible for God to lie", why do we resist obeying the Word of God.

Man's mind will comprehend truth

Luke 24:27, Col 2:2-3; Heb 8:10-11; 1 Tim 2:4; 1 Tim 2:7.

- Col 2:2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; 3 In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
- **Heb 8:10** For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; **I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts:** and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: 11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

1 Timothy 2:7 Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (**I speak the truth in Christ**, *and* **lie not**;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.

Revelation is revealed truth

Deut 32:4; Psa 100:5; Jer 4:2; Zech 8:8; 1 John 5:6

Deut 32:4 *He is* the Rock, his work *is* perfect: for all his ways *are* judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right *is* he.

Jer 4:2 And thou shalt swear, The LORD liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory.

God will reveal truth to those who are obedient and faithful.

Luke 10:21-22; Deut 29:9; Pro 1:23; Isa 45:3: Matt 18:3 John 12:26-40

Pro 1:23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

Isa 45:3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call *thee* by thy name, *am* the God of Israel.

Truth brings knowledge and knowledge brings responsibility.

Luke 12:47-48; John 9:41; John 15:22,23: Matt 11:20-24

Our calling: 1 Corinthians 1: 24-31

- 1Cor 1:24 But **unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks**, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.
- 1Cor 1:25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men.
- 1Cor 1:26 For **ye see your calling**, brethren, how **that not many wise men** after the flesh, not many mighty, **not many noble**, *are called*:
- 1Cor 1:27 But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;
- 1Cor 1:28 And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, *yea*, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:
- 1Cor 1:29 That no flesh should glory in his presence.

Our calling is often thought to be based upon foolishness. <u>The foolishness of God is wiser</u> than men. (1 Cor 1:25) The world will never understand it, because it does not make sense to the carnal mind. However, God loves to use the things that are considered as worthless (things that are not), (v.28) in order that God may receive all the glory. (v.29)