

Devotion 10: Go to Jesus to Find the Truth

Audience: For Caregiver

Theme: Go to Jesus and learn from him!

Bible Passage: *Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light* (Matthew 11:28-30).

Devotion: One of the most important blessings God gives His people is the answer to the question which Pontius Pilate asked Jesus, *What is truth?* The truth we are referring to is the truth about our relationship to God and His great plan for our eternal salvation.

Even many of God's Old Testament people had lost the answer to this question as we read: *Truth has stumbled in the streets, honesty cannot enter. Truth is nowhere to be found* (Isaiah 59:14b, 15a). While this applied to truth in general, this sinful attitude stemmed from the typical Israelite's loss of faith in his Lord and the truth concerning his eternal salvation.

While some did listen to the prophets and clung to the saving truth, most went about their lives steeped in the darkness of sin and unbelief. Sad to say this ignoring of God and His holy Word still prevails. Modern day Pontius Pilates are either ignoring the matter altogether or are asking "What is truth?"

We can find truth by going to Jesus in His Word. We may still have difficulty in dealing with truth in general, but our Lord will not only give us a standard to guide us on moral and social issues but will also reveal the truth of His love for us.

Jesus tells us: *If you hold to my teaching you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free* (John 8:31-32). Jesus is reassuring us who, by His grace believe in Him, that we have been set free from Satan, sin and eternal death. Heaven is our home!

Our Lord replied to Pontius Pilate, *For this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me* (John 18:37).

Paul tells us: *My purpose is that . . . they may know the mystery of God, namely Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge* (Colossians 2:2-3). When we faithfully search God's Word we tap the one source of truth, knowledge and wisdom.

Lord, sanctify us with your truth. Your Word is truth! Amen.

Bible Readings: Psalm 25:4, 5; Proverbs 9:10; John 1:17; John 16:13.