## TRUTH AND ERROR

# I. TRUTH IS IMPORTANT FOR EVERY ASPECT OF LIFE, BUT IS MOST IMPORTANT FOR OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

### II. JESUS IS TRUTH

- A. Jesus is full of truth. John 1:14
- B. Jesus is the source of truth. John 1:18
- C. The truth of Jesus is the means by which we can be truly free. John 8:31

### III. THE DEVIL IS A LIAR

- A. The devil's plan is to lie to people, and to lead us away from God. John 8:44-47
- B. The devil communicates his lies through demons. 1 Timothy 4:1-3
- C. There is a spiritual battle for the truth. Ephesians 6:12-18, 2 Corinthians 10:3-6

### IV. A PASTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY IS TO TEACH THE TRUTH

- A. A pastor is to teach the truth and refute error.
  - 1 Timothy 3:2; 2 Timothy 2:15, 4:1-4; Titus 1:7-9; Nehemiah 8:8; Malachi 2:6-7
- B. Your responsibility is to learn the truth, and then tell others. Matthew 29:19-20

## V. THERE ARE ERRORS ABOUT GOD'S WORD

The Bible is not God's word. It is not true. It does not have authority over your life. It is not sufficient for your Christian life. But these are all lies. Psalm 19:7-14

#### VI. THERE ARE ERRORS ABOUT GOD

The enemy says there is no God, that God didn't create the world, that God is not sovereign, that God does not know everything, that God is not love, that God is not good. But these are all lies. Isaiah 40:21-31

## VII. THERE ARE ERRORS ABOUT MAN

The enemy says man was not created by God, that man is not sinful, that there are no consequences for your sin, that there is no hell, that man is not accountable to God, that man can do whatever he wants. But these are all lies. Ephesians 2:1-3, 4:17-19

#### VIII. THERE ARE ERRORS ABOUT JESUS

The enemy says Jesus didn't exist, that He wasn't born of a virgin, that He wasn't God, that He was just a good man, that He didn't do any miracles, that He didn't die for our sins, that His death was meaningless, that He didn't rise from the dead, that He didn't ascend into heaven. But these are all lies. Colossians 1:15-20, Hebrews 1:1-9

### IX. THERE ARE SOME ERRORS ABOUT SALVATION

The enemy says you don't need to be saved, that you can't be sure if you are saved, that salvation is progressive, that salvation is by good works, that salvation depends on church attendance and baptism, that your good works need to outweigh your bad works, that you can lose your salvation, that Jesus isn't the only way to get saved, that there are lots of good religions. But these are all lies. Romans 3:21-26

### X. THERE ARE SOME ERRORS ABOUT THE CHURCH

The enemy says all churches are good, that you don't have to go to a church to be saved, that you do have to go to a church to be saved, that the church service needs to make you feel good, that people who go to church are Christians. But these are all lies. Eph. 1:3-14

### XI. THERE ARE SOME ERROR ABOUT THE COMING OF CHRIST

The enemy says Jesus Christ is not coming again, that there is no future Antichrist, that there is no millennial kingdom when Christ will reign on earth, that there is no future for the Jews, that unbelievers are annihilated when they die.

#### XII. CONCLUSIONS ABOUT TRUTH AND ERROR

- A. Some errors are more prominent than other errors.
- B. Some errors are prominent and then fade away.
- C. Some errors are prominent and then are refuted.
- D. There will always be lies, until the end of the millennial kingdom.
- E. Lies are pervasive: they cover a lot of areas and affect lots of people.
- F. You need to know the truth so you can be truly free, and so you can refute lies.
- G. You need to know the truth for yourself, your family, your friends and the church.
- H. The two main problems in life and in the world are sin and error.

Christ is the answer to sin, and God's word is the answer to error.

IS THIS NOT THE REASON YOU ARE MISTAKEN, THAT YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE SCRIPTURES OR THE POWER OF GOD? Mark 12:24

YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE. John 8:32

THE SUM OF THY WORD IS TRUTH. Psalm 119:160