

4/9/17 | WISE UP: Truth

"The LORD detests lying lips, but he delights in people who are trustworthy."

—Proverbs 12:22 | NIV



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. How do you keep a secret without lying? Is it easier to lie with your words, your tone, your expression, or your actions?
2. Is there a difference between a "big lie" and a "white lie"?
3. Consider the quote on the right. Versions of this quote are attributed to many people. What does it mean? Why would human nature spread lies faster than truth?

"A lie will go 'round the world while truth is pulling its boots on."
—Charles Spurgeon

What is Truth?

4. Pilate asks, *"What is truth?"* in John 18:38. How would you answer him? Read John 14:6. How would you answer him now?
5. Read John 14:17 and 16:13 and 1 John 4:6. Why are Jesus and the Spirit connected by the idea of truth? What does that mean to us?
6. Read Psalm 119:43 and John 17:17 and Ephesians 1:13. Why is it so important to know that the Word of God is truth? Is that always a comforting reminder?

Using the truth

7. In 1 Kings 17:8-24, what convinced the widow that Elijah was telling the truth?

8. In 1 Kings 3:16-28, what convinced Solomon that the ladies were telling the truth?

9. How can you find the truth?

10. According to Titus 1:1, what is the advantage of knowing truth?

11. According to Psalm 34:11-13, what is the advantage of speaking truth?

TAKE AWAY: What truth do you need to hear or speak this week?