

## 8/6/17 | Etched in Stone | Tell the Truth

*"For the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth."*

—Ephesians 5:9 | NIV



### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What are differences between lies and deception? Is it possible to lie with good intentions? Is it still a sin?
2. Consider this quote. What do you think? What does it mean?

*"Half the truth is often a great lie."*

—Benjamin Franklin

### Truth

3. According to John 14:6, Who is the truth?
4. According to John 15:26, Who is truth?
5. According to Ephesians 1:13, what is the message of truth?
6. What do these all have in common?

### Know it

7. In John 18:37-38, what did Pilate ask? Did he receive an answer? How would you answer him?
8. Read John 8:32, 36. How is this supposed to work? What really sets us free?

## **Speak it**

10. Read Jeremiah 9:5-6. What is the result of lying? Why does deceit both the Lord so much?
  
11. Read Zechariah 8:16. Why would this be the first order God gives to the saved remnant of Israel? Why is it so important for their society to follow this rule?
  
12. Read Ephesians 4:25. Why does Paul tell the believers to speak truthfully?

## **Live it**

13. Read Ephesians 6:14-18. Why is truth a belt? What was a belt good for? What role does truth play in our lives?
  
14. Read 1 John 1:5-10. What truth are we supposed to live in? How? What's the connection between truth and light?

**TAKE AWAY: Make a declaration of truth.**