

3rd John # 19 “Truth Serum” 3rd John 12-14

Everything in Jesus Christ’s church is always built on the truth and John loves the truth and he loves those who share his love for the truth by loving them in truth.

The foundational core of everything in life and therefore in the church, is God’s truth, so John’s emphasizes how to be motivated by love for the truth.

Demetrius knows what truth is, so he also knows what good (divine good) is and he also knows how to imitate and do that which pleases God.

Demetrius lives for the sake of the Name of Jesus Christ and he accepts no help from pagans or Gentiles in vs 7, so in vs 8, John says believers ought to show hospitality or support to a co-laborer in the truth. **Learning is understanding and**

understanding is thinking, so thinking is applying understanding.

Thinking the Word of God is applying the Word of God and learning God’s truth leads to understanding God’s truth; therefore, thinking truth is the first step to applying truth; so, first we must learn God’s truth, then we must think it.

Learning is coming to Bible class with a positive attitude; thinking is the application of truth learned to experience and solving is understanding and using God’s grace solutions.

Knowledge is learning truth by taking it into the mind and wisdom is transferring that truth in our human spirit through God’s faith-transfer grace system.

Colossians 1:9-10 is Paul’s prayer for those he’d never seen and it’s an encouragement for each believer to grow up because out of spiritual growth comes wisdom, knowledge and spiritual understanding.

Biblical truth is what the Bible has to say when it’s taught from the communication of Bible information on the basis of classification through analysis, from interpretation of Scripture by authorized personnel – with the spiritual gift of teacher who are prepared through exhaustive study to communicate God’s truth.

And since biblical truth is the mind of Christ in 1st Cor 2:16, it must be communicated by those who have been authorized and beginning in the past, this means the prophet, the Levitical priest, the apostle and today, the pastor-teacher.

God is revealed, God uses and God has centered everything for us in biblical truth; therefore, biblical truth is more important than even the air we breathe.

God the Father attaches the highest importance to His truth because it expresses Who and what His Son, Jesus Christ is and it expresses His plan, provides the living-grace support for His plan and so, it provides everything we’ll ever need at any time.

This is because God the Father attaches the highest honor to the person and work of Jesus Christ and that would be unknowable apart from God’s truth.

