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Re: Circle of Strength 4-18

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Scriptures Discussed Today

John 14.6	Col 1.17
Eph 6.14	Gal 5.1
John 18.37-38	Eph 6.13
Phil 4.1	

This is the quote that Sam read so you guys can digest it a little more:

https://www.google.com/search?q=the+difference+between+facts+and+truth&rlz=1C1SQJL_enUS869US869&og=the+difference+between+facts+adn+tru&aqs=chrome.1.69i57j0l4.12160j0j7&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8

Truth is an instance of quoting one or many of the **facts** while describing or discussing the subject. **The difference between truth and fact** is that **fact** is something that cannot be combated with reasoning, for it is logic itself. But **truth** is something which depends on a person's perspective and experience.

Question: Is this statement true or?????

This the quote from the poem Sam read: "Truth forever on the scaffold, Wrong forever on the throne, Yet that scaffold sways the future, and, behind the dim unknown, Standeth God within the shadow, keeping watch above his own."

The name of the poem is This Present Crisis written by James Russel Lowell

Here is a link to it online: <https://allpoetry.com/The-Present-Crisis>

Don't forget, make notes of things you hear/see and want to consider, "Is this truth?" Send them in the group chat for our Chop Session on May 16th.

*Thanks,
Dee White
I Find My Strength in Him*

On Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 3:22 PM Dee White <deedub61@gmail.com> wrote:

Ladies;

The third Saturday of the month seems to have arrived very quickly. Which is interesting since life has slowed down so considerably. Does it seem to anyone else that it's tough to get motivated to do some of those home projects we now have plenty of time to do? While I am asking God to help me find some of that motivation, I am glad that one thing I've had

more time to do and have taken advantage of is spending more time studying and meditating on the Word. I'm pretty sure, for me and my personality type, that if I wasn't spending more time in the word during these dark days, I might have had a little more of that darkness creep into my own outlook on life. I'm so grateful to God for how He comforts and encourages me through His word and presence right now.

As I've been thinking about where to go in our study, the word "truth" has come up several times in various readings and conversations. I really want to stay right on this piece of the armor. I think as we go on in the days to come we're going to need confidence that we have truth. It won't just be an essential weapon for us to continue to stand in faith but I think it will be essential for us to be able to explain and share truth as others will be looking for hope and a firm foundation. We need to be prepared to explain truth to them in a simple and precise way. We HAVE to KNOW what we believe and why we believe it or they won't accept it.

Do you remember that scene in the movie Trading Places? At the very end, the rich guys were now bums on the street. Eddie Murphy's character was walking down the street with a dirty, crumpled, weary looking paper bag....but it was full of money. It looked like the dog had dragged it outside, used it (in polite terms), drug it back in the house and now somebody was using it to wrap a very valuable gift in. What's the point? Presentation matters! Even though that bag was full of something very valuable, anyone would have been justified in hesitating to take it or even open it.

What does that have to do with us, you ask? I'm glad you asked. It has to do with how we'll present the most valuable truth of Truth to others. Let's wrap it in beautiful paper. Let's wrap it in thoughtful and tender words. Let's wrap it in compassion. But in order to do that, we have to have a solid understanding of it and be able to explain it with confidence.

So, come Saturday, let's have some conversations about truth. Find some things you've wondered about, "is this true?" And let's talk about it. What are some quotes you've heard that we can examine in the light of God's word? Do all roads lead to God? Can't I just be sincere in my belief and that's good enough? Is Jesus the only way? Does God help those who themselves? Write your thoughts down and let's chop it up! [That's what one of my favorite Christian Rappers {The Ambassador} calls it when you sit around and talk about ideas and world views and God and.....you get the point. One of his albums - yes that's what I called it - that is my favorite is called The Chop Shop]

Anyway...back to Saturday. I'm going to solicit Kim's help to set up and/or initiate the group chat on WhatsApp. Yes Mrs. Kim I'm pulling on one of those gifts, tech wizard, to assist the group. Lol.

Everyone, please think about one 'truth' you want to talk about. If we don't finish this Saturday, we'll finish in our next meeting in May. We can always reach out to each other in between meetings and talk about to. You might come upon something and want to chop it up about that - - call one of your sisters and do that, and dig into some scripture and research it. Start to pull on the wisdom and knowledge in the COS. We've got some strong and wise sisters in this group, build the relationships and build yourselves up in your most Holy Faith!!!!

'See' you Saturday at 9. (Y'all let me know if you'd rather do it at a different time)

Sent from my iPhone