The Good News

Belt of Truth (Part 2/8)

PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD



BELT



BREAST TRUTH RIGHTEOUSNESS PEACE



SHOES



SHIELD $\mathbf{0F}$ **FAITH**

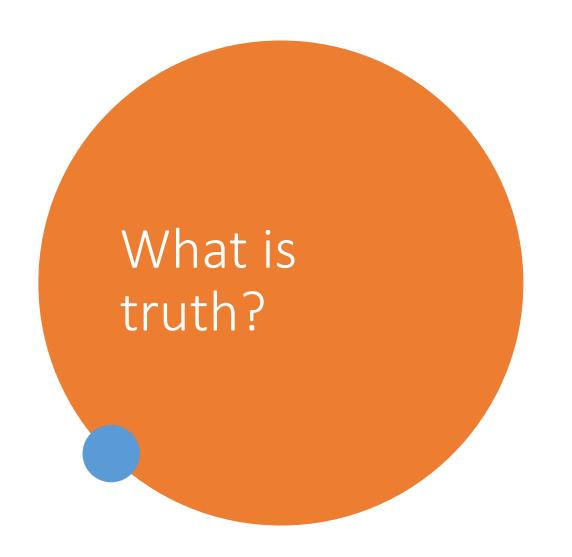


HELMET **SALVATION** **SWORD** $\mathbf{0F}$ **SPIRIT**

EPHESIANS 6:10

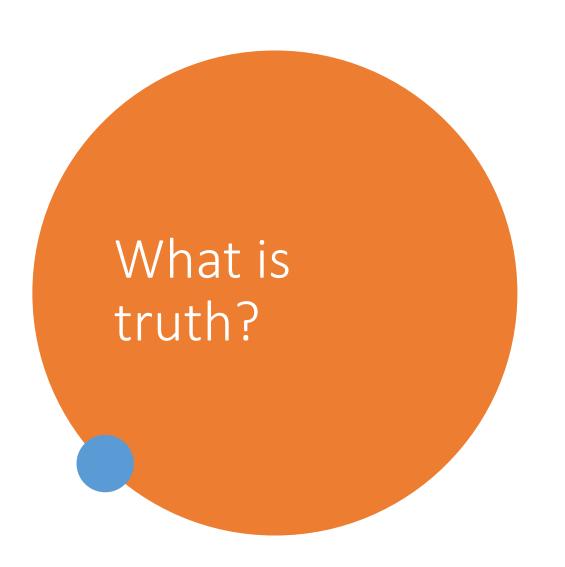
What is truth?

John 18:37-38





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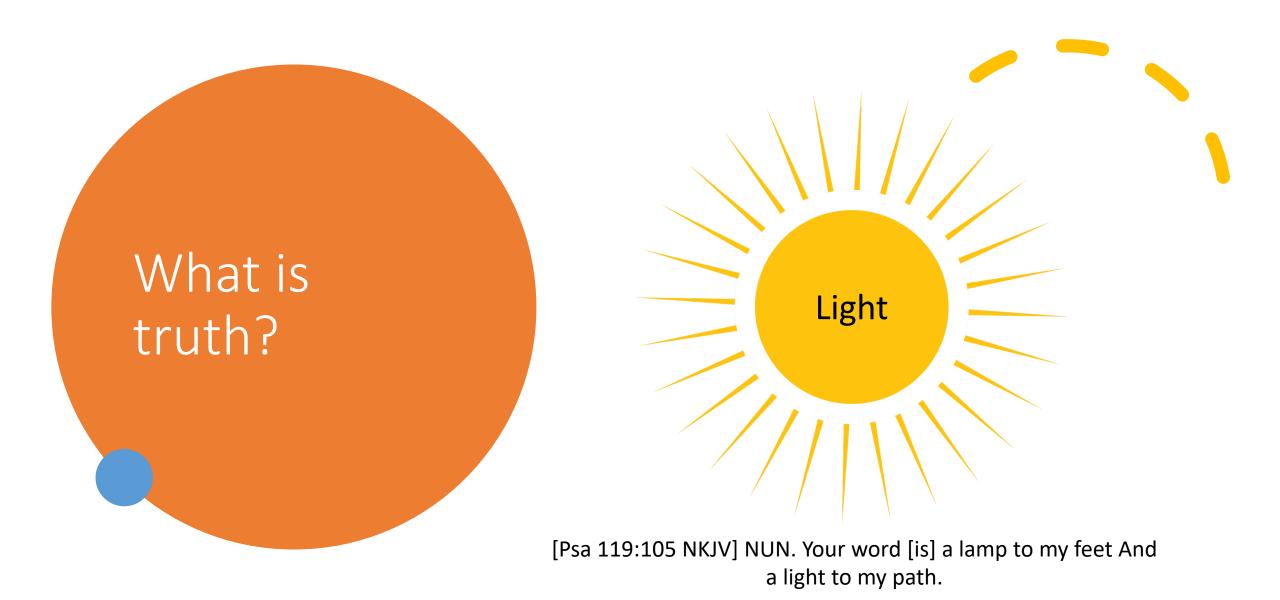


Logical Syllogism

•Major premise: All dogs are mammals.

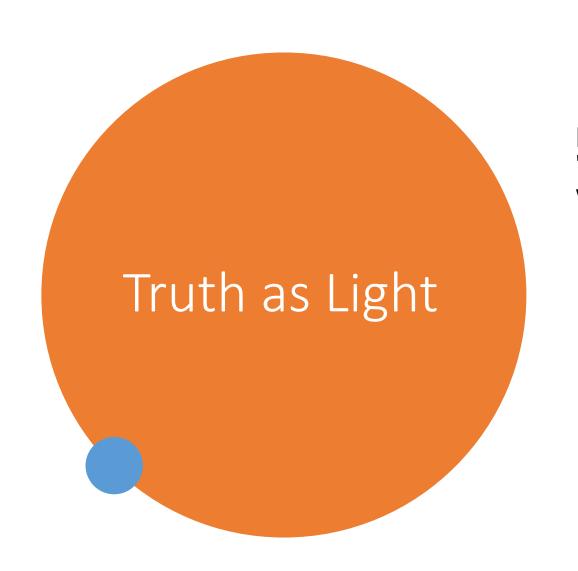
•Minor premise: Jack is a dog.

•Conclusion: Jack is a mammal.





[Jhn 1:1-5 KJV] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.



[Jhn 8:12 NKJV] Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the **light** of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the **light** of **life**."

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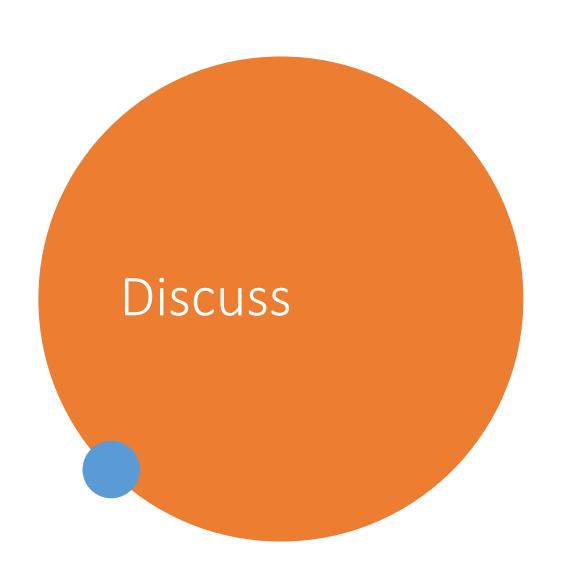
110x in Greek NT verity, truth.
(Strong's Definitions)

Truth 6x in Ephesians (G225)

- [Eph 1:13 NKJV] In Him you also [trusted], after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,
- [Eph 4:21 NKJV] if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the **truth** is in Jesus:
- [Eph 4:24 NKJV] and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in **true** righteousness and holiness.
- [Eph 4:25 NKJV] Therefore, putting away lying, "[Let] each one [of you] speak **truth** with his neighbor," for we are members of one another.
- [Eph 5:9 NKJV] (for the fruit of the Spirit [is] in all goodness, righteousness, and **truth**),
- [Eph 6:14 NKJV] Stand therefore, having girded your waist with **truth**, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

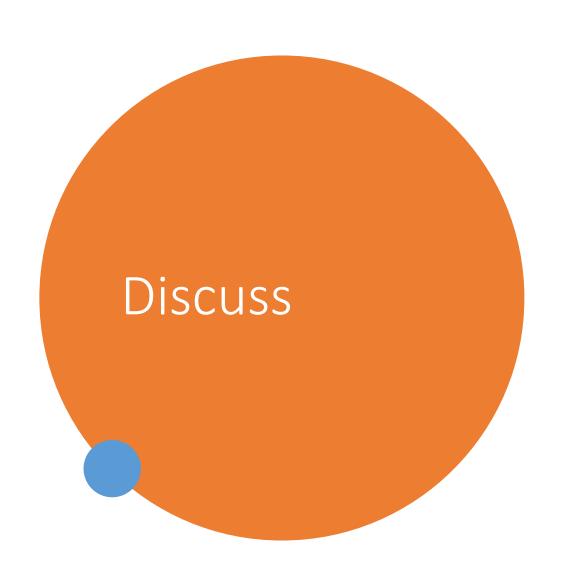
Truth: put off & put on

- 4:21-22 ... as the **truth** is in Jesus ... *put off* ...
- 4:24 ... *put on* ... true righteousness ...
- 4:25 ... *putting away* ... speak truth ...
- 6:11-14 *put on* ... girded your waist with **truth ...**



What do we "put off"? How is the truth involved in this?

- [Eph 4:21-22 NKJV] if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the **truth** is in Jesus: that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts
- [Eph 4:25 NKJV] Therefore, putting away lying, "[Let] each one [of you] speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another.



What do we "put on"? How is the truth involved in this?

- [Eph 4:24 NKJV] and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.
- [Eph 6:11-14 NKJV] *Put on* the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ...
 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with **truth**, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

Truth vs Lie

John 8:44 & Ephesians 6:12



Greek – περιζώννυμι

(https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g4024/nkjv/tr/0-1/)

Hebrew – חָגַר

(https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/h2296/nkjv/wlc/0-1/)

ק<u>ג</u>ר [*ḥāḡar*] H2296

43x in Hebrew OT

to gird on (as a belt, armor, etc.):—be able to put on ...

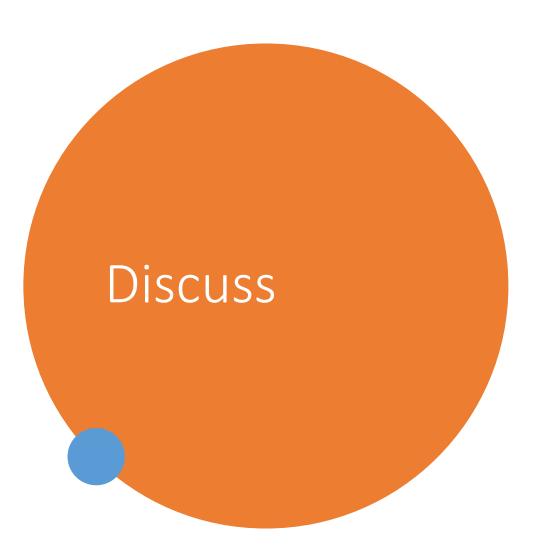
(Strong's Definitions)

- Passover Exodus 12:11
- Priest Exodus 29:9
- Warrior Judges 18:16

[Exo 12:11 NKJV] 'And thus you shall eat it: **[with] a belt on your waist** (KJV: "with your loins girded"), your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It [is] the LORD's Passover.

[Exo 29:9 NKJV] "And you shall *gird them with sashes*, Aaron and his sons, and put the hats on them. The priesthood shall be theirs for a perpetual statute. So you shall consecrate Aaron and his sons.

[Jdg 18:16 NKJV] The six hundred men *armed* with their weapons of war, who [were] of the children of Dan, stood by the entrance of the gate.



What do you think the significance of the Priest's sash or belt is? (see Exodus 29)

How might this help us better understand the belt of truth?

Recap

- Truth as Word and Light
- Put off and Put on
- Truth vs Lies
- OT context on "Girding your loins"

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