

**Series:** Lies & Liars.  
**Title:** Knowing Truth.  
**Text:** John 8:31-32  
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Christianity makes the strongest truth affirmations, declaring:

- the Bible to be \_\_\_\_\_,
- the gospel to be the \_\_\_\_\_, and
- \_\_\_\_\_ to be truth's embodiment.

### Theme Verse

**2 Timothy 4:3-4** *For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths.*

Satan uses the world's lies to entrap \_\_\_\_\_,  
and \_\_\_\_\_ lies to destroy church people.

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**John 8:31-32** <sup>31</sup> So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, *"If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup> and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

### Promise - To be set free.

- The lies we believe \_\_\_\_\_ us; they \_\_\_\_\_ us.

**Galatians 4:3** *In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world.*

- Your freedom is always \_\_\_\_\_.

**Galatians 5:1** *For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.*

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All scripture quotes are from the English Standard Version unless otherwise noted.

## Process -

### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus.

Jesus started with \_\_\_\_\_.

**Mark 1:15** (Jesus said) *"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."*

### 2. \_\_\_\_\_ to his teaching.

- Immediate context – the words of Christ.

Broader Implication – all of \_\_\_\_\_.

- Basic meaning - to believe in and commit yourself to the way of Christ and \_\_\_\_\_.

**John 15:5** *I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.*

**John 15:10** *If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.*

### 3. \_\_\_\_\_ the truth.

- Basic meaning – that which is \_\_\_\_\_ and ultimately conforms perfectly to \_\_\_\_\_.

- Absolute truth – the idea that there is a truth which is altogether and always \_\_\_\_\_.

**John 14:6** Jesus answered, *"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."*

So the question is not "what is true", but \_\_\_\_\_.