

**Title: Live The Truth**  
**II John 1-13**

**Introduction**

Living a life of truth in today's culture almost seems impossible, but no doubt that's been the case in every age. God's way is always the way of truth. In every age, God is looking for those who will live a life of truth.

1. Living a true and honest life requires a constant dependency upon the grace and \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
2. The key to "living an honest and truthful life" is to get the truth \_\_\_\_\_ of you so you know what the truth is!
3. According to the Bible, Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ of truth.
4. The only way to live an honest and truthful life is to \_\_\_\_\_ Christ!
5. The Bible is the \_\_\_\_\_ of truth and honest living.
6. Jesus didn't come to abolish God's law but to \_\_\_\_\_ it.
7. John identifies himself as the \_\_\_\_\_.
8. John lived the longest of all the apostles and was the only one who died a \_\_\_\_\_ death.
9. The truth in us also lives in \_\_\_\_\_ who know the truth.
10. What binds believers together is a \_\_\_\_\_ truth and faith in Jesus Christ.

11. God's truth does not change, His truth is \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Apart from God's truth and love, we can never really \_\_\_\_\_ grace, mercy, and peace.
13. We need someone to encourage us to walk in the truth we already \_\_\_\_\_.

**I. Choose to Live a Life of Truth**

14. Honesty and truthfulness have broken down at all \_\_\_\_\_ in our society.
15. Honesty and truthfulness are \_\_\_\_\_ to maintaining trust and order in any society.
16. Truthfulness is absolutely \_\_\_\_\_ to any society.
17. You may not think it matters, but \_\_\_\_\_ sure does!
18. Learn to think of and relate to life and God in \_\_\_\_\_ terms.
19. When you feel pressure or stress, get back to \_\_\_\_\_ of talking to God and reading your bible.

**II. Determine to Understand the Way of Truth**

20. We all want to know the \_\_\_\_\_.
21. The Bible says that Jesus is the way to God and that we will only know him as "the way" if we \_\_\_\_\_ His way of living.

22. Our \_\_\_\_\_ takes on new meaning when we learn to live like Jesus.
23. The more we learn about Christ, the more \_\_\_\_\_ the truth becomes.
24. Through Jesus, we find the truth that truth sets us \_\_\_\_\_.
25. You must make Christ real and \_\_\_\_\_ in your life.

**III. Proclaim the Truth**

26. It was John's joy to find the elect lady and her children \_\_\_\_\_ in the truth.
27. When God's people walk in truth, they \_\_\_\_\_ it with others.
28. Telling the truth also demonstrates we are \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord.
29. Those who walk with the Lord follow God's commandment to \_\_\_\_\_ one another.
30. If we truly love God, we will \_\_\_\_\_ His commandments.
31. Authentic, \_\_\_\_\_ love always walks this way.
32. We must learn to \_\_\_\_\_ between agape love and emotional love feelings.

**Conclusion**

33. Don't try to live your life in mental \_\_\_\_\_.
34. Let God encourage you and \_\_\_\_\_ you through His word.

35. His truth will \_\_\_\_\_ your heart and set you free from the burdens and cares of this life.

Don't be afraid to trust God even when you're not sure how things will work out. God has the resources and the desire to help you. Don't live **your** truth; live in **God's** truth.

#### Answers

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|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. power       | 13. know         | 25. authentic   |
| 2. inside      | 14. levels       | 26. walking     |
| 3. source      | 15. foundational | 27. share       |
| 4. know        | 16. essential    | 28. walking     |
| 5. foundation  | 17. God          | 29. love        |
| 6. fulfill     | 18. simple       | 30. obey        |
| 7. Elder       | 19. basics       | 31. agape       |
| 8. natural     | 20. truth        | 32. distinguish |
| 9. others      | 21. follow       | 33. isolation   |
| 10. common     | 22. worship      | 34. guide       |
| 11. eternal    | 23. evident      | 35. liberate    |
| 12. experience | 24. free         |                 |

#### QUESTIONS FOR MEDITATION

1. Do you remember a time in your life when someone lied to you? How did it feel? Why did it make you feel that way?
2. Have you ever been in a situation where telling the truth was difficult? Why? Did you tell the truth? How did it turn out?
3. As a Christian, how can being trustworthy and truthful personally reflect on how others see Jesus? How can deceit in the life of a Christ-follower affect how the world sees Jesus? How can honesty in the life of a Christ-follower affect how the world sees Jesus?