



Day 1 (9/27/23): Belt of Truth

The belt of a Roman soldier in Paul's day was not a simple leather strap such as we wear today. It was a thick, heavy leather and metal band with a protective piece hanging down from the front of it. The belt held the soldier's sword and other weapons.

It is fitting that the belt of truth is the first piece of the whole armor of God. Jesus is "the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6), and it is only through Him that we come to God. Therefore, truth is of the utmost importance in the life of a Christian. Without truth, the rest of the armor would be of no use to us because we would not have the Spirit of truth (John 15:26). Jesus said the Truth shall set us free.

John 8:31-32 Then Jesus turned to the Jews who had claimed to believe in him. "If you stick with this, living out what I tell you, you are my disciples for sure. Then you will experience for yourselves the truth, and the truth will free you."

The overarching principle present in all of Satan's attacks toward us is deception. Satan is the master illusionist. An illusion is something that is deceiving by producing a false or misleading impression of reality. Satan can craftily make you think that God does not mean exactly what He says. Remember Adam and Eve...did God really say??

Strapping on the Belt of Truth allows you to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. Satan's suggestions can never stand up against the light of God's Holy Word. God's truth is the light. Because Satan has no power or authority, he must first get you to "buy in" into his deception. Once he's got you believing his lie, he has kept you from standing in your power. We need to know what God says about a matter and act based on His perspective.



Belt of Truth scriptures

Eph 6:14 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist,

Psa 25:5 Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.

Mark 5:33 Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth.

John 3:21 But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

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

John 16:13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

Eph 4:15 Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

What is God saying to you through His Word? What does it mean to have the belt of truth around your waist?

What is He calling you to confess? Empty your cup of deceit and shame before the Lord. He knows your truth and invites you to acknowledge it before him and receive His cleansing touch.

What do you want to ask God for regarding truth as you heal from the wound of deceit?

Pray for the WWWC Board, that God will reveal His truth about finances, vision and policy so that the board will make decisions in unity with one another and God's will. Pray for restoration of the body, mind and soul of each board member: Jennifer Finnin, Sue Ham, Stacie Hazelton, Deni LaPoint, Sandra Sheih, Kim Turner and Christy Willard. Ask God to give them a spirit of gratitude.