

The Belt of Truth

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Psalms 51:1–6 (NIV) — (1) Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. **(2)** Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. **(3)** For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. **(4)** Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. **(5)** Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. **(6)** Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.

Proverbs 12:19 (NIV) — (19) Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue lasts only a moment.

John 8:31–32 (NIV) — (31) To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. **(32)** Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

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Psalms 139:23 (NIV) — (23) Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

Psalms 26:2 (NIV) — (2) Test me, O LORD, and try me, examine my heart and my mind;

Matthew 15:8 (NIV) — (8) “ ‘These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

Romans 10:17 (NLT) — (17) So faith comes from hearing, that is, hearing the Good News about Christ.

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I) _____ Is Truth?

John 18:37 (NIV) — (37) “You are a king, then!” said Pilate. Jesus answered, “You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

John 1:14 (NIV) — (14) The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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John 17:17 (NIV) — (17) Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.

2 Timothy 2:15 (NIV) — (15) Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15 (The Message) — (15) Concentrate on doing your best for God, work you won't be ashamed of, laying out the truth plain and simple.

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Ephesians 4:25 (NLT) — (25) So stop telling lies. Let us tell our neighbors the truth, for we are all parts of the same body.

Zechariah 8:16 (NLT) — (16) But this is what you must do: Tell the truth to each other. Render verdicts in your courts that are just and that lead to peace.

II) _____ Do We Put On The Belt Of Truth?

2 Corinthians 4:4 (NIV) — (4) The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

III) _____ Do We Put On The Belt Of Truth

Ephesians 4:14 (NIV) — (14) Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming.

2 Timothy 2:3–4 (The Message) — (3) When the going gets rough, take it on the chin with the rest of us, the way Jesus did. **(4)** A soldier on duty doesn't get caught up in making deals at the marketplace. He concentrates on carrying out orders.

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Hebrews 4:15–16 (NIV) — (15) For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. **(16)** Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

IV) The Truth Comes With _____

V) The Truth Will Cause _____

2 Corinthians 6:2 (NIV) — (2) For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.