Scripture: John 17 v 17

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

Psalm119 v 105 *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and light unto my path.*

Subject: Thy Word is Truth

Last week our Pastor emphasized the value of looking to the Lord, from Psalm 119 v 18 *Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold, wondrous things out of thy law.* Linked to this we read in John 17 v 17 *Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.*

I have been meditating on these words, "Thy Word is Truth". These are words that indicate the infallibility of Gods word. We live in a world when it is difficult sometimes to know if something in true, particularly concerning political issues. The words of a political manifesto contain promise after promise, but because of circumstances very little of what was promised actually comes to pass.

The fact is only the Word of God is true. There was a saying at one time that an English mans word was his bond. I just wonder If this is true at the present time, I do know that every word that proceeds from God is True.

I want to consider certain points in relation to the words *"Thy Word is Truth".* Jesus said I am the way the truth and the life.

Let's observe.

1. The Prophetic Evidence that Gods Word is Truth

The prophetic evidence that the Gods word is Truth is overwhelming, the number of prophetic statements that have come from God cannot be doubted considering how many there are. Many relate to the coming of the Messiah, others concerning the nation of Israel.

The first prophetic statement that is all truth, is Genesis 3 v 15 *"And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel"*

This is referring to the birth and death of Jesus. The devil is under the foot of Christ, not over him. This is the first reference to the defeat of the devil at the hands of the seed of the woman, Jesus.

Everything written prophetically about Jesus is the O.T. is truth, no statement concerning him has the slightest incline of untruth, if any declaration concerning the Messiah was not truth, then the purpose of God regarding the salvation and forgiveness of sins would have failed.

Following His resurrection and appearance to the two on the road to Emmaus, we read in Luke 24 v 27 *"And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself".*

This exposition by Jesus must have been the most wonderful explanation of how He was the fulfillment of the prophetic statements in Moses, and the Prophets. Further to this when Jesus appears to the disciples He adds the Psalm to what He had said to the two on the road to Emmaus.

In Luke 24 v 44 we read. *"And he said unto them, These are the words which I space unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me"*

Christ in All the Scriptures a book by A. M. Hodgkin reveals that Christ can be found in every book of the Bible. An in-depth study of Gods word results in only one conclusion; it is the truth. There is Prophetic Evidence that Gods Word is Truth.

2. There is Creative Evidence that Gods Word is Truth.

The origin of Creation has been the argued about for centuries, the evolutionist who follows the theory that emerged out of "The Origin of the Species" by Charles Darwin has given the creation doubters ammunition to attack the Creationist, in an attempt to undermine their belief that creation came into being because God spoke it into existence.

The Psalm 19 is a wonderful song to read; it expresses the absolute greatness of God in the heavens and the power there is in the voice of God. His voice as it is expressed creates what His word says, no word that proceeded from God has failed to accomplish what He said. In Genesis 1 v 2 & 3 it *says "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, let there be light: and there was light".* His word is truth.

By reading the other verses in Genesis 1 we discover how powerful and creative the word of Lord is. He spoke, and what God said became a reality, by His word He furnished the earth, sea life, animal life, plant life, fowl of the air life, finally by using the dust of the earth God made man, breathed into him and he became a living soul, so God created human life. His word is Truth.

There have been books written that challenged the theories of men. David C C Watson wrote "The Great Brain Robbery" in which he defends the Biblical account of creation, giving proof that Gods word is truth. Dr Enoch wrote, "Evolution verses Creation". Both books are supportive of the young earth belief. In the "The Genesis Flood" by Whitcome and Morris" Finally we have human footprints in the footprints of a dinosaur.

2. The Messianic Evidence that Gods Word is truth.

Simmons confession. Luke 2 v 27 onwards.
Anna Confession
Peter's confession Matt 16 v 18
The woman of Samaria' s confession. Joahn 4.