

Family TableTalk

Conversation 59

What is the Truth?

read

John 18:33-40

think

“I have a growing number of parents who bring their children in for an appointment because they struggle to hit the baseball.” This was what my friend who is an eye doctor recently told me. He continued to say that after examining the children’s eyesight he has to explain to the parents that the child’s eyesight is not the problem.

The truth is that their kid is not a major league baseball player and will most likely miss the ball more than they will hit it while in the little leagues.

Now, seeking the truth for why someone is struggling to hit a baseball is one thing. However, it is quite another thing to seek the truth that affects all of life both now and in the future. Jesus made many claims about himself while he was on earth. In a conversation he had shortly before he was crucified he makes the claim, “For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.” After hearing Jesus make this claim Jesus was asked “What is truth?”

Ultimately, this is the question all people need to answer today. Christians are reminded in the Bible that truth is ultimately found in the person and work of Jesus Christ. Jesus doesn’t only claim to testify to the truth, but several chapters earlier in John 14:6 he claims to be the truth. May Christians remember this in the midst of our world which is full of so many lies.

apply

- How would you define the word *Truth*?
- What are some claims that Jesus makes in the Gospels that are different from other religions?
- Who can your family pray for that needs to know the truth of Jesus? How can you intentionally share the love of Jesus with them and speak the truth of Jesus to them?

pray

God, thank you for sending your only Son into the world to both speak the truth and be the truth. Help our family to continually grow in Christ so that we can be ambassadors for him with our family, friends, classmates, and anyone else we come in contact with during our days.

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