



Today's Study: Is it true that there is no such thing as absolute truth?

Going Deeper: questions for discussion with family, friends, Life Group, or for personal reflection.

Sunday Review:

Reflecting on this week's message from the Word, what challenged you the most? Was there anything that surprised you, or that you had never heard before? Was there anything that you still do not understand? (as a group you can discuss these points and try to answer any remaining questions.)

- What evidence do you see in our world that people believe some truths are universal for everyone?
- What would the implications be if there was no absolute or universal truth? How might people behave?
- Why is the concept of relative truth over universal truth attractive to many people?
- What evidence is there that something is universally true?
- What universal truths do you personally struggle to accept?
- Would you say the Bible is universally true? Why? How might you convince a sceptic of that?
- Read the following verses about truth: John 1:17, 3:31-36, 8:31,32, 18:37,38. What do these verses suggest about truth?



Resource for further study:

(The following resources are offered to help you think through this issue. The provision of this list does not imply the full support of everything you may read on these sites or in these books.)

Introductory Study:

Books:

- *Know Why You Believe* by Paul Little (in our church library)
- *The Case for Faith* by Lee Strobel (in our church library)

Websites:

- <http://carm.org/secular-movements/relativism/refuting-relativism>

Advanced Study:

Books:

- Douglas Groothuis, (2000) *Truth Decay—Defending Christianity Against the Challenges of Postmodernism* IVP
- J.P. Moreland & William Lane Craig, (2003) *Philosophical Foundations for a Christian Worldview* IVP, especially Chapters 3-7 (pp. 71-170) and pp. 328-333, 523-535, 604
- Norman Geisler, (1999) *Baker Encyclopedia of Christian Apologetics* Baker, pp. 741-745
- Campbell Campbell-Jack & Gavin J. McGrath, (2006) *New Dictionary of Christian Apologetics* IVP pp. 722-725
- James W. Sire (1994) *Why Should Anyone Believe Anything at All?* IVP
- J. P. Moreland & Dallas Willard (1997) *Love Your God with All Your Mind: The Role of Reason in the Life of the Soul* NavPress
- Peter Hicks, (1998) *Evangelicals and Truth* Liecester: Apollos

Websites:

- <http://thegospelcoalition.org/resources/a/There-is-no-absolute-truth>

Prayer Items:

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