

Biblical Facts And The Truth Are Not The Same

There is a vast difference between what is expressed in the Christian Bible as facts, and what is the spiritual truth.

To enlarge on the above statement, let us look at the death of Jesus Christ and His resurrection.

Scripture states this to be a fact, that is recorded by those who saw it happen, we can have faith in this.

But for us such a fact may be detached, impersonal, cold and totally disassociated from our life.

Truth, on the other hand, is warm, living and mind-changing.

A theological fact may be held and accepted in our mind for a lifetime without it having a positive effect upon our moral character.

Truth is always creative, saving, transforming and always changes the person who receives it, into a humbler and more God-like person.

At what point does a theological fact become a life-giving truth?

The simple answer is at the point when obedience begins.

When, through faith, we make an irrevocable commitment to Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour, facts become truth and truth begins its saving, illuminating work, and **not** a moment before.

John 7:17 [NIV] *“If anyone chooses to do God’s will, he will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own.”*

The choice is ours to make.

Matthew 10:37-39 [NIV] *“Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”*

The choice to obey Jesus Christ is a total commitment whatever the physical or mental pain may accompany that choice.

John 15:1-5 [NIV] *“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. **No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.** “I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; **apart from me you can do nothing.**”*

Our submissive obedience to Jesus Christ is essential if we are to grow spiritually in this present physical life.

We must be willing to obey if we are to ever know the inner meanings of the teaching of Jesus Christ and the apostles.

Why is this true?

The key is the working of the Holy Spirit in us.

Acts 5:32 [NIV] *“We are witnesses of these things, and so is **the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.**”*

The Holy Spirit is only given to those who obey God.

John 16:13 [NIV] *“But when he, the **Spirit of truth** [the Holy Spirit], comes, he will guide you into all 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.”*

It is the Holy Spirit who then makes facts become truth.

Romans 8:5-9 [NIV] *“Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but **those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires.** The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace; the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God’s law, nor can it do so. Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God. **You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you.** And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.”*

The Holy Spirit in us will redirect our minds away from finite physical things and towards those things that are spiritual and eternal.

Romans 8:12-17 [NIV] *“Therefore, brothers, we have an obligation, but it is not to the sinful nature, to live according to it. For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, because **those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.** For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” **The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs, heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.**”*

All our future is dependent on our being an instrument in the hands of the Holy Spirit.

John 7:38-39 [NIV] *“Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.” By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.”*

We have to allow the love that the Holy Spirit generates in us, [**Galatians 5:22-23**] to flow out to other human beings in acts of love and service.

The church or individual that is Bible taught **without** being Holy Spirit taught has simply failed to see that truth lies deeper than the theological statement of it.

Truth cannot aid us until we become participators in it, because we only possess what we experience.

1 Corinthians 2:9-10 [NIV] *“However, as it is written: “No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him” , but **God has revealed it to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.**”*

The very reason for our existence is **only** revealed to human beings by the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:11-12 [NIV] *“For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man’s spirit within him? In the same way no-one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us.”*

The ability for a human being to think, plan and create things out of the basic materials that God has provided, is the result of the human spirit that directs the brain of every human being [see **Job 32:38**].

In the same way we cannot understand truth, that is spiritual and eternal, without the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:13-14 [NIV] *“This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words. The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned.”*

Up to this time in the history of humanity only a few have been blessed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Revelation 12:9 [NIV] *“The great dragon was hurled down, that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.”*

God has allowed Satan to deceive and blind the vast majority of humans to the spiritual truth.

1 John 5:19 [NIV] *“We know that we are children of God, and that **the whole world is under the control of the evil one.**”*

Up to the time of the return of Jesus Christ to this earth, Satan is in control of the vast majority of human beings.

2 Corinthians 4:4 [NIV] *“**The god of this age** [Satan] **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.**”*

The vast majority of human beings **cannot** see, let alone understand, the truth.

One of the most powerful tools that Satan is using to blind human beings is what I call *“the delusion of evolution.”*

Romans 1:18-22 [NIV] *“**The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools**”*

Those who promote this theory of evolution claim to be wise but in reality are blinded fools, as a result of God allowing Satan to blind them to the truth.

This blinding of the vast majority of human beings is part of the great plan that the all-wise Creator God has for human beings.

God is allowing humanity to experience what it is like to turn their back on their Creator and to ignore His laws of love and mercy.

Only then after this personal experience of ignoring the truth, will the vast majority of humans be willing to submit to Jesus Christ as their Master and Saviour at His return. Or through a resurrection back to physical life to see what a vastly different world we can experience when we obey our Creator God.

For this to happen in any human being, facts have to be turned into truth by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

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