

# ALMOST TRUE

## The Danger with “Your Truth”

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<sup>37</sup> ... Actually, I was born and came into the world to testify to the truth. All who love the truth recognize that what I say is true.”<sup>38</sup> “What is truth?” Pilate asked. Then he went out again to the people and told them, “He is not guilty of any crime.”<sup>39</sup> But you have a custom of asking me to release one prisoner each year at Passover. Would you like me to release this ‘King of the Jews’?”<sup>40</sup> But they shouted back, “No! Not this man. We want Barabbas!” (Barabbas was a revolutionary.)

**John 18:37-40 NLT**

### 1. What is truth?

- **Absolute, constant, unchanging facts**
- **Just because you believe something doesn’t make it true**
- **Truth is more than what we believe, it is someone we follow**

### 2. The danger with “your truth”

- **No absolute truths that apply to all people**
- **My perception determines what is true**
- **If it’s “true” for me, you can’t question it**

*“The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is?”*

**Jeremiah 17:9 NLT**

### 3. Sacrificing “my truth” and accepting

#### “God’s truth”

*There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.*

**Proverbs 14:12 NLT**

*And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.*

**John 8:32 NLT**

### Next Steps:

- Ask God to help me see “my truth” so that I can submit it to “God’s truth”: \_\_\_\_\_
- Commit to seek the truth in life, no matter how much it might hurt
- Commit to be caring and kind when others assert “their truth” above “God’s truth”
- Attend the rest of this series (or watch on our Youtube channel)
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