

**Today – The Power of Truth** 

#### Proverbs 9 v10

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.



#### **God-focused principles on how to live well**

What pathway have we chosen?

What are the foundations on which we construct our lives?

# Today Using tongues for good (part 2) The Power of Truth

### **Last week**

### Temper your temper!

14 v17: A quick-tempered person does foolish things, and the one who devises evil schemes is hated.

Have I not written thirty sayings for you, sayings of counsel and knowledge, teaching you to be honest and to speak the truth, so that you bring back truthful reports to those you serve?

(Proverbs 22 v20-21)



"You are a king, then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

"What is truth?" retorted Pilate.

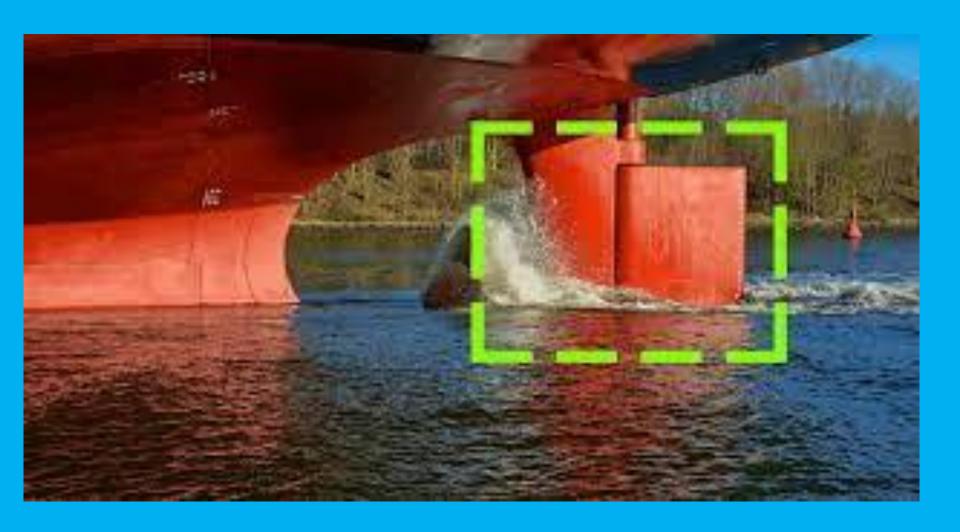
(John 18 v37-38)

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

(John 14 v6)

But no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. (James 3 v8)







### Spiritual barometer







# God will judge every word we speak (Matthew 12 v36)

God forgives the sin of those who repent (James 5 v16)

Speak good words over people

### Twin rivers flow through us — word and spirit

Open our mouths for the poor

Fill your mouth with prayer (James 5 v13 onwards)

#### Ephesians 4 v25 and v29

- 25 Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbour, for we are all members of one body.
- 29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

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### Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

(John 17 v17)

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Like a snow-cooled drink at harvest time is a trustworthy messenger to the one who sends him; he refreshes the spirit of his master. (Prov 25 v13)





# Let's pray

