

## Ministry of Reconciliation (MOR) Bible Teachings



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MOR-Bible, which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, peace to you and grace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. Father, we thank you for giving us an understanding of the truth of your Word and how to utilize it by taking believing action on your Word. Father, thank you for confirming your rightly divided Word with signs, miracle, and wonders. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

In the [May 2022](#) teaching, we searched and tracked some usages of the Greek Word *aleethia* translated into our English word “truth.” We read the first and last usages of *aleethia* and then reviewed some usages from the gospel (i.e., Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John). From our tracking and tracing in the scriptures the Greek word *aleethia*, we saw that God doubled established that His Word is the truth!

In the first usage of the Greek word *aleethia*, we read where Jesus Christ taught the truth of God’s Word regardless of who the person was! The last usage of the Greek word *aleethia* focused on our heart’s desire. Here there were three ways *aleethia* was used: 1. We have a good witness of the truth of God’s Word and of all the brethren! 2. The brethren in the body of Christ are witnesses who walk in the truth of God’s Word! and 3. We rejoice greatly when we see a brother or sister walking in the truth of God’s Word!

In this month’s teaching, we will continue to review usages of the Greek word *aleethia* used for our English word truth from the Church Epistles (i.e., Romans, Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Thessalonians) which are addressed to the current Grace Administration of Paul’s teaching and speaking the truth of God’s Word. The sources for all Greek-English words are [The Critical Lexicon and Concordance to the English and Greek New Testament Bullinger \(1975\)](#) and [Young's Analytical Concordance to the Bible \(1982\)](#).

As a reminder, Romans is a doctrine Epistle where we learn the basic truths, principles, and standards of how to truly believe. See [March 2019](#) teaching. As we review the usages of *aleethia*, I exhort you to read the context of these verse to increase your believing and understanding. The word truth will be bolded in the Bible verses for emphasis.

Let's start with Romans 9:1:

*I say the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost [holy spirit].*

Paul said, *I say the truth, the word of God in Christ.* Remember that Christ is the now glorified one who sits at the right hand of God our Father. Paul continued on and said, *I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness with the gift of holy spirit.* Paul operated all nine manifestations of the gift of holy spirit (1 Corinthians 12: 7-11). See [June 2016](#) teaching.

Corinthians is a reproof Epistle which corrected the practical errors for not following the truth of God's Word documented in Romans. Let's look at 1 Corinthians 13:6:

*Rejoiceth not in iniquity [unrighteousness, wrong, injustice], but rejoiceth in the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*].*

This verse tells us to rejoice in the truth of God's Word!

Next, we will look at 2 Corinthians 4:1. However, because the word "therefore" is used in 2 Corinthians 4:1, we must read the verse before for context. Let's read 2 Corinthians 3:18:

*But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

2 Corinthians 4:1-2:

*Therefore, seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not.*

*But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.*

The word "manifestation" is the Greek word *phanerosis* which means a "making known, manifesting." We make known the truth of God's Word to everyone in the sight of God our Father!

2 Corinthians 11:10:

*As the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] of Christ is in me, no man shall stop me of this boasting in the regions of Achaia.*

Paul said, *as the truth, of Christ is in me.* How did he know? By the truth of God's Word written in Colossians 1:27.

*To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery [Ephesians 3:6] among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.*

2 Corinthians 13:8:

*For we can do nothing against the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*], but for the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*].*

What can we do against the truth of God's Word? Nothing! Not one thing! The truth of the Word of God can stand any investigation because God's Word is the truth! The more you examine God's Word, the clearer the exact truth of God's Word reveals itself! This is the reason why I would rather obey God's Word than people's words! God's Word will not lie to us or disappoint us! It is the Word of life (Philippians 2:16)!

Galatians is a corrections Epistle which corrected practical errors. These practical errors eventually turn into doctrines which results in people not following the truth of God's Word as documented in Romans. Galatians 2:5, 14:

*To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] of the gospel [the good news of the Grace Administration] might continue with you.*

Verse 14:

*But when I [Paul] saw that they [Peter, Barnabas, and others] walked not uprightly according to the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] of the gospel [the good news of the Grace Administration], I said unto Peter before them all, if thou, being a Jew [Judean], livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews [Judeans], why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews [Judeans]?*

Paul confronted Peter, Barnabas, and others for not walking uprightly according to the truth of God's Word as documented in the Grace Administration. Remember, the Grace Administration started on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:4). Peter, Barnabas, and others were teaching the Old Testament Law of Circumcision. Paul corrected them by the truth of God's Word for the current Grace Administration!

Galatians 5:6-7:

*For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision; but faith [believing] which worketh by love [of God in the renewed mind in manifestation].*

*Ye did run well; who did hinder [or restrain] you that ye should not obey the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*]?*

Here we learn when we stop obeying the truth of God's Word, someone always hinders or restrains us by false teaching!

The next usages of *aleethia* are documented in Ephesians which is also a doctrine Epistle. Ephesians tells us the truth about what God has already done for us in Christ and what we have in Christ. See [March 2019](#) teaching. Once again, I exhort you to read the context of these usages to increase your believing and understanding.

Ephesians 1:13:

*In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*], the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise.*

Ephesians 4:21:

*If so, be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] is in Jesus.*

The truth is in who? Jesus, the humble one that was obedient to death!

Ephesians 4:24-25:

*And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and **true** [the Greek word *aleethia*] holiness.*

*Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.*

Why should we stop lying and speak the truth of God's Word with one another in the body of Christ? For we are members one of another!

Ephesians 5:8-9:

*For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light.*

We walk as children of what? Light!

*(For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*]).*

Ephesians 6:14:

*Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*], and having on the breastplate of righteousness.*

We, the born-again believers, stand fast and still having our *loins girt with the truth* of God's Word which is the "*breastplate of righteousness*."

Philippians is a reproof Epistle which corrected the practical errors for not following the truth of God's Word as documented in Ephesians. Philippians 1:18:

*What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*], Christ [the head of the body] is preached [thoroughly]; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.*

We rejoice when Christ, the head of the body, is preached thoroughly!

Colossians is a corrections Epistle that corrected practical errors which turn into doctrines for not following the truth of God's Word as documented in Ephesians.

Colossians 1:5-6:

*For the hope, which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] of the gospel [of the Grace Administration].*

How do we know about the hope which is laid up for us in heaven? By the truth of the Word of God as documented in Thessalonians! See [December 2019](#) teaching.

*Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*].*

The next usages we will read are documented in Thessalonians which is also a doctrine Epistle. Thessalonians tells us the truth about the return of Christ and our gathering together with him. See [April 2020](#) teaching. 2 Thessalonians 2:10:

*And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*], that they might be saved.*

Some people will perish because they refuse to receive the love of the truth of God's Word that they might be saved. If they refuse to receive it, they will perish. This is the Will of God! 1 Timothy 2:4 instructs us:

*Who [God] will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the **truth**?*

2 Peter 3:9 tells us:

*The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance [change of mind].*

Remember that Romans 10:9 says:

*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.*

It is an individual's choice to perish or be saved!

2 Thessalonians 2:12-13 has the next usage of *aleethia*:

*That they [coming after the working of Satan] all might be damned who believed not the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] but had pleasure in unrighteousness.*

*But [in contrast] we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*].*

From the beginning or origin, God had chosen you and I in Him before the foundation of the world. It is God's desire that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love (Ephesians 1:4). In this verse, the word "salvation" is the Greek word *soteeria* which means safety, preservation from danger or destruction. The word "sanctification" means set apart. The words "of the spirit" refers to the new birth. We are set apart by the gift of holy spirit that is in us! And the word "belief" in 2 Thessalonians 2:13 is the

Greek word *pistis* for believing of the truth of God's Word! We believe the truth of God's Word as documented in Romans 10:9 which is how we were saved and set apart by the Spirit of God that dwell in us!

In this month's teaching, we reviewed usages of the Greek word *aleethia* used for our English word truth from the Church Epistles (i.e., Romans, Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philipians, Colossians, and Thessalonians). In these Epistles, Paul taught and spoke the truth of God's Word. 1 Timothy 2:4:

**Who** [God] will have all men to be **saved**, and to come unto the **knowledge** of the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*]?

God, who will have all people to be saved "*to make sound, to save; to preserve safe from danger, loss or destruction*" by His son Jesus (Romans 10:9). We are to come to a clear and exact knowledge which has a powerful influence on the knower. We are to have full knowledge of the truth of God's Word. When we put together what we have read over the last several months, our understanding of 1 Timothy 2:4, it is my hope that our hearts burn within us as we traced and tracked in God's Word the Greek words for **saved**, **knowledge**, and **truth** as documented in 1 Timothy 2:4. When we decide that God's Word is the truth, our eyes are opened by the truth of God's Word! I rejoiced at God's Word as one that finds great fortune!

1 Timothy 2:7:

*Whereunto I [Paul] am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the **truth** [the Greek word *aleethia*] in Christ and lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and **verity** [the Greek word *aleethia*].*

When we, as ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20), speak the truth of God's Word in Christ, the now glorified one, we lie not! We teach God's Word believing it is the truth!

Father, I am so thankful for the truth of your Word which absolutely will not lie to us or disappoint us. Father, I so thankful for my brothers and sisters who trusted in you after we heard the Word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, in whom also after that we believed, we were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise. Father, thank you for the witness of the truth of your Word by your children believing to operate all nine manifestations of your gift of holy spirit. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen

Bless your hearts, you are the best and we love you.

In next month's teaching, we will start our review of 2 Timothy 2:15.

In the Lord,

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