

## TRUTH. The Bible Provides

📖 *Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)* “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and **teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you**. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

### The Bible provides **absolute truth** for my life.

- 📖 *Colossians 2:8 (NIV)* “See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ.”
- 📖 *John 17:17 (NIV)* “Sanctify them by the truth; your Word is truth.”
- 📖 *Psalms 119:142 (NIV)* “Your righteousness is everlasting and your law is true.”
- 📖 *2 Timothy 2:15 (NIV)* “Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the Word of truth.”
- 📖 *1 Timothy 3:15b (NLT)* “This is the church of the living God, which is the pillar and foundation of the truth.”
- 📖 *Proverbs 30:5 (NIV)* “Every Word of God is flawless; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him.”

### The Bible provides **accurate advice** for my life.

- 📖 *Psalms 16:11 (NIV)* “You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.”
- 📖 *Psalms 143:8 (NIV)* “Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.”
- 📖 *Psalms 19:7 (NIV)* “The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.”
- 📖 *Proverbs 2:6–9 (LB)* “For the Lord grants wisdom! His every word is a treasure of knowledge and understanding. <sup>7</sup> He grants good sense to the godly—His saints. He is their shield, protecting them and guarding their pathway. <sup>9</sup> He shows how to distinguish right from wrong, how to find the right decision every time.”
- 📖 *Joshua 1:8 (NIV)* “Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.”

### The Bible provides **alignment & measurement** for my life.

- 📖 *Isaiah 28:16–17 (NIV)* “So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who trusts will never be dismayed. <sup>17</sup> I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line...”
- 📖 *Ephesians 2:19–21 (NIV)* “...you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God’s people and members of God’s household, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone. <sup>21</sup> In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.”
- 📖 *Colossians 1:16 (Msg)* “For everything, absolutely everything... got started in Him and finds its purpose in Him. “
- 📖 *2 Corinthians 10:12 (NIV)* “We do not dare to classify or compare ourselves with some who commend themselves. When they measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves, they are not wise.”

## IMPACT

- Imitating Christ
- Meeting Needs
- Proclaiming the Good News
- Assimilating people into the church
- Celebrating God
- Teaching the Word of God

Do you believe in absolute truth? Do you consider the Bible to be trustworthy? Can you describe a specific time that God’s Word guided you? Is your life aligned with Christ? Why is it unwise to compare ourselves to someone else? In a few sentences, can you write down your worldview?

