## Finding the Truth in 2020

Where I found truth, there found I my God, who is the truth itself. ~Augustine

Well, 2020 has been quite the year I must say, and I'm sure everyone all over the world will agree with me on that...

""Nations will go to war against each other and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be terrible earthquakes—seismic events of epic proportion, horrible epidemics and famines in place after place." Matthew 24:7 TPT

Some days in 2020, especially the last few months, I actually felt like I was in an episode of "The Twilight Zone". Things seemed so upside down and topsy turvy in the media that it was hard to believe what reality really was....

""You will hear of wars nearby and revolutions on every side, with more rumors of wars to come. Don't panic or give in to your fears, for the breaking apart of the world's systems is destined to happen. But it won't yet be the end; it will still be unfolding."

Matthew 24:6 TPT

One thing that has stuck out in 2020 is that this world we live in has many "truths". Everyone seems to know the "truth" but yet we all seem to disagree on what the "truth" really is...

"Jesus answered, "At that time deception will run rampant. So beware that you are not fooled!"

Matthew 24:4 TPT

We have data showing that masks work and also that they don't. Literature that states vaccines are perfectly safe and other articles that say they're not. As well as some experts stating it's safe to get a haircut and go shopping while others say it's not...

"In the same way, one person regards a certain day as more sacred than another, and another person regards them all alike. There is nothing wrong with having different personal convictions about such matters."

Romans 14:5 TPT

I mean everyone believes that what they are claiming to be true is backed up by someone or something and so it is in fact "truth" to that person for their own reasons...

"Offer an open hand of fellowship to welcome every true believer, even though their faith may be weak and immature. And refuse to engage in debates with them concerning nothing more than opinions."

Romans 14:1 TPT

One thing I have found is that my life is much more peaceful when I'm not busy trying to figure out who's "truth" is right or wrong and I focus on the one thing I KNOW to be true...

"Jesus explained, "I am the Way, I am the Truth, and I am the Life. No one comes next to the Father except through union with me. To know me is to know my Father too."

John 14:6 TPT

God's Word is true, and His Truth is all I need.

He has never lied to us and everything He said would come to pass has thus far, so I have every reason to believe in what He promises about the future...

"Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth."
John 17:17 NLT

The Truth that God supplies is Endless Mercy, Selfless Love and Saving Grace....

"God our Father and Jesus Christ, his Son, will release to us overflowing grace, mercy, and peace, filled with true love."

2 John 1:3 TPT

As well as His Truth of Unshakable Hope, Inexpressible Joy and Peace that passes ALL earthly understanding...

"Now may God, the inspiration and fountain of hope, fill you to overflowing with uncontainable joy and perfect peace as you trust in him. And may the power of the Holy Spirit continually surround your life with his super-abundance until you radiate with hope!"

Romans 15:13 TPT

God called me, He hears me, He Loves me, He saved me and He's coming back for me! What more truth could I possibly need...

"Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.""

John 8:31-32 NLT

And so, it actually is irrelevant what anyone really believes is the truth, or even what I believe to be the truth about things of "this world". All we need to know and live out everyday is God's Truth...

"So it is impossible for God to lie for we know that his promise and his vow will never change! And now we have run into his heart to hide ourselves in his faithfulness. This is where we find his strength and comfort, for he empowers us to seize what has already been established ahead of time—an unshakeable hope!"

Hebrews 6:18 TPT

My prayer for us today is that as this crazy year of 2020 comes to a close, may we hold tight to the "Real Truth", letting go of all the worldly truths that aggravate and confuse us. Remembering the only truth that really matters. May we stand strong in God's Truth for our lives, living it out each and every day as we remember all His promises to us for a wonderful future...

"O Timothy, guard and keep safe the deposit [of godly truth] entrusted to you, turn away from worldly and godless chatter [with its profane, empty words], and the contradictions of what is falsely called "knowledge"— which some have professed and by doing so have erred (missed the mark) and strayed from the faith. Grace be with you."

1 Timothy 6:20-21 AMP

Amen