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We live in a very divisive world today.

People are entrenched in their perspectives regarding:

- Politics
- Medical responses
- Race and ethnicity
- Environment and diet
- Sex and gender



Resulting in:

- Fear & Anxiety
- Silence & Immobilization



How Did we Ever Get Here?

- Post Truth – reality is subjective
- Sexual Revolution – remove constraints
- Secular Beliefs superior to religious
- Social Systems are solutions
- Humanism = man is god



Why is this Important to You and me?

Believers are confronted today as “the problem”

- Provide abortion medical care?
- Speak up on race/ethnicity?
- Condemn politics or not?
- Hire and support LGBTQ+?
- Allow trans access to facilities?

Truth based on Biblical Realities

- **John 17:17** “Thy word is Truth”
- **John 1:16–17** “for the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ”
- **John 14:6** “I am the way, the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father, but by me.”

Truth & Grace are **NOT** mutually exclusive

- The Person of Jesus Christ –
most loving, approachable man who ever lived



Three Foundational Biblical Realities

1. The Revolting Nature of our Sin
2. Our Self-Deception/Justification
3. God's vigilant love for sinners



Our response today

Confidently Believe!

- The truth is as relevant as ever
- Absolute truth is not subject to man's theories and "new interpretations" or lived experience



How to live courageously:

- Ephesians 6:11-12

“For our struggle is NOT against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.”

How to live courageously:

- 2 Timothy 2:25-26

“Those who oppose him he must gently instruct, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth, and that they will come to their senses

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