



- Putting the two together, Gal. 4:4-5.
- iii. Bearing witness to the truth.
 - Witness to the Truth of God, John 14:6.
 - The Word of Truth, John 1:14, 17:8,14,17, 15:26,27, Acts 1:8.
 - The Truth of the Gospel.
- v. His sheep hear His voice.
 - There are those of the truth and those who are not.
 - Those who are of the truth hear His voice, John 10:26-27.

- 6. Pilate's fatalistic view of truth, vs. 38.
 - a. "Truth" to Pilate was relative, John 8:44.
 - b. "Truth" from an unlikely source, Heb. 4:15.

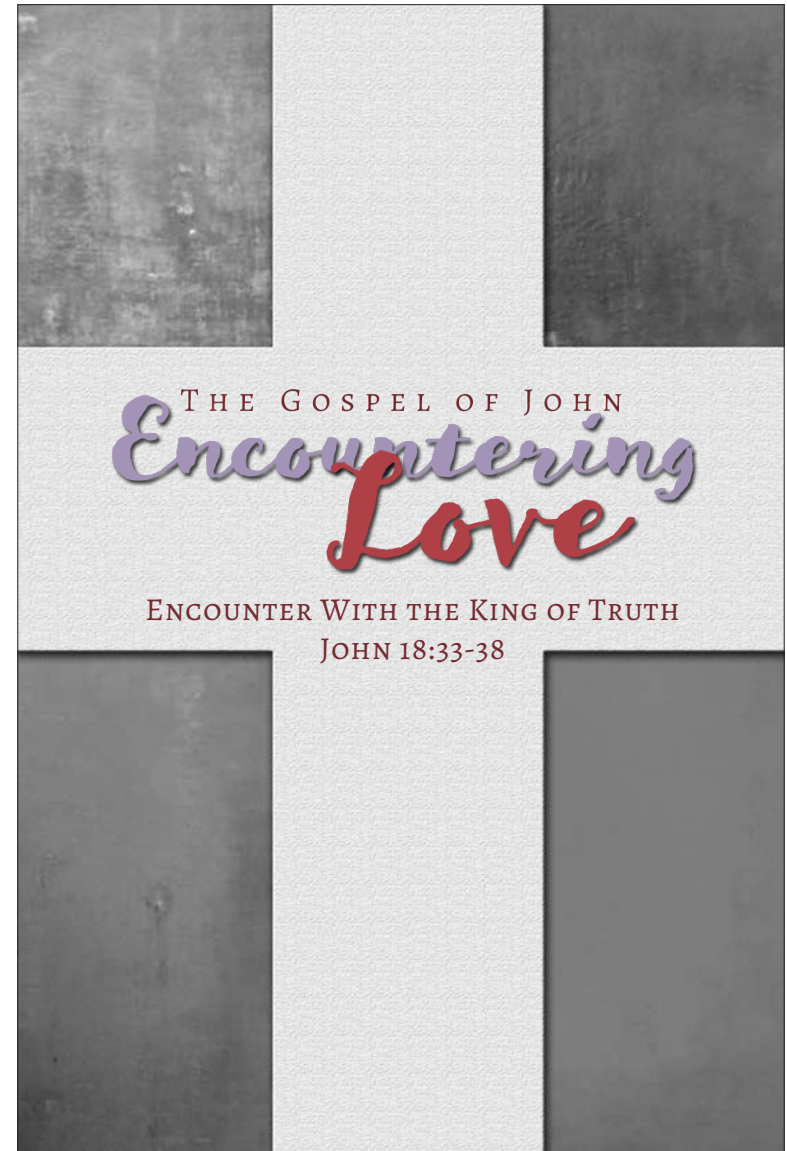
III. Application

A. Why we are adrift.

1. Adam and Eve and the Serpent, Gen. 3:1,4,5.
2. The two seeds.
3. The advent of the Word of Truth.
4. The dark ages when Truth is hidden.
5. The Reformation.
6. The "Enlightenment".
7. The age of humanism.

B. Staying anchored in the Kingdom.

IV. Conclusion



Traditional Worship Service

May 17, 2020

10:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Praise the Father, Praise the Son"

WELCOME AND INVOCATION TO WORSHIP

MOMENT IN THE WORD: Deut. 32:1-4

SINGING TOGETHER:

"Ye Servants of God"

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

"Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down"

RESPONSIVE READING: Psa. 145:8-19

PRAYER FOR THE GATHERING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSE SONG: 'Doxology'

SCRIPTURE READING: John 18:33-38

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE: "Encounter With the King of Truth" John 18:33-38

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

RESPONSE SONG

"Jesus is Lord of All"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION - "Bless God"

Rev. Kirby Williams
Worship Leader - Byron & Stacy Cox

"Encounter With the King of Truth"

John 18:33-38

I. Introduction

II. Exposition of the text, John 18:33-38.

A. Context

1. John's focus on "the truth", John 1:5, 12:35, 3:19, 8:42-45.
2. Confrontations with evil.

B. Pilate's confrontation with the Kingdom of Truth.

1. Pilate's initial question, vs. 33.
 - a. The drama of defilement.
 - b. A direct question.
 - i. Harmonizing the Gospels, Luke 23:2.
 - ii. Not a speck of truth.
 - iii. Pilate's skepticism.
2. Jesus' counter-question, vs. 34.
 - a. The "interviewed" becomes the "interviewer", John 18:21,23.
 - b. The reason for the counter-question.
 - c. Changing the course of the conversation, John 2:24-25.
 - d. Prophet, Priest and King, John 18:32.
3. Pilate's intellectual curiosity grows, vs. 35.
 - a. An aggravated response.
 - b. A "loaded" question.
 - i. Probing the accusation.
 - ii. A growing curiosity.
4. Pilate's encounter with the Word of Truth, vs. 36.
 - a. A profound privilege, John 1:1,14,14:6.
 - b. The nature of Christ's Kingdom.
 - c. A logical conclusion.
5. The Word of Truth, vs. 37.
 - a. Pilate presses the issue, vs. 37a.
 - b. The King of the Kingdom of the Word of Truth, vs. 37b.
 - i. Jesus' affirmative answer.
 - ii. Paradoxical origins.
 - Born to be a King.
 - A pre-existent King, John 1:1,14, 17:5.

Worship Songs
10:00 a.m. Service
May 17, 2020

Moment in the Word: Deut. 32:1-4

Deut. 32:1. Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak, and let the earth hear the words of my mouth.

Deut. 32:2. May my teaching drop as the rain, my speech distill as the dew, like gentle rain upon the tender grass, and like showers upon the herb.

Deut. 32:3. For I will proclaim the name of the Lord; ascribe greatness to our God!

Deut. 32:4. The Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is he.

Responsive Reading

Scripture Reading: Psa. 145:8-19

Psa. 145:8. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Psa. 145:9. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Psa. 145:10. All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!

Psa. 145:11. They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power,

Psa. 145:12. to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Psa. 145:13. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. [The Lord is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.]

Psa. 145:14. The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

Psa. 145:15. The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

Psa. 145:16. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Psa. 145:17. The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

Psa. 145:18. The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Psa. 145:19. He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

Praise the Father, Praise the Son

O sovereign God, O matchless King,
The saints adore, the angels sing,
And fall before the throne of grace.
To You belongs the highest praise.

These sufferings, this passing tide,
Under Your wings I will abide,
And every enemy shall flee,
You are my hope and victory.

Praise the Father, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, Three in One;
Clothed in power and in grace,
The name above all other names.

To the valley, for my soul,
Thy great descent has made me whole;
Your word my heart has welcomed home.
Now peace like water ever flows.

Praise the Father, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, Three in One;
Clothed in power and in grace,
The name above all other names.

(repeat)

Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the power;
Yours is the glory –
Forever. (repeat)

Praise the Father, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, Three in One;
Clothed in power and in grace,
The name above all other names.

Ye Servants of God

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad His wonderful name;
The name, all victorious, of Jesus extol:
His kingdom is glorious, He rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save,
And still He is nigh, His presence we have;
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

"Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!"
Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give Him His right-
All glory and pow'r, all wisdom and might,
All honor and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;

As Thou hast died for me,
O may my love to Thee,
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray,
From Thee aside.

When ends life's passing dream,
When death's cold, threatening stream
Shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior, then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove;
O lift me safe above,
A ransomed soul!

Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down

Come, let us worship and bow down,
Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker;
Come, let us worship and bow down,
Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker.
For He is our God,
And we are the people of His pasture.
And the sheep of His hand,
Just the sheep of His hand.

(repeat)

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Jesus is Lord of All

All my tomorrows, all my past-
Jesus is Lord of all.
I've quit my struggles, contentment at last!
Jesus is Lord of all.

King of kings, Lord of lords,
Jesus is Lord of all;
All my possessions and all my life,
Jesus is Lord of all.

Bless God

Bless God for all He's done!
Bless God for Christ, His Son!
Let us magnify Him for He's holy, holy!

One voice in unity,
One voice of praise to Thee,
With hearts of love and worship we will sing,
"Bless God!"