



I typically do not trust most of what I read on social media. I try to wait on commenting on current events until they are not as current and a lot of the lies have been proven false over time. Usually the corrections are more accurate than the original stories. But even with all of the misleading information out there, most people seem to have an opinion on what is really happening and many of them are adamant that theirs is the correct one.

For a culture that seems to be obsessed with finding “our own truth,” we surely like to tell everyone else how they should live. People love to say that truth is relative and everyone is entitled to his or her own opinion and interpretation, but yet become furious when they feel like someone has lied to them. There is no shortage of “righteous indignation” on the internet.

That’s where we as Christians come in. We actually know the Truth. His name is Jesus (John 14:6). Jesus is God’s Word made flesh (John 1:14), so God’s Word is the Truth and should be used to teach, train, and correct us (2 Timothy 3:16,17). And God’s Word in Ephesians 4:25-29 states:

*‘Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.’*

If we post an article on social media, we should check to see if it is true before posting it. That is just smart to do. Likewise, before we post our opinions, we should pray first and make sure it is not out of anger, that it is good for building up, it fits the occasion, and it gives grace to those who hear. That is more than smart, it is obedience. And that is the truth.

Lord, please let my words give grace to those who hear them today.