

TRUE GOD

**True God in a
Post-Truth World**

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CYNICISM & THE EMPTINESS OF LIFE HAS CREATED A DISTANCE TO TRUTH

Walk in love. — Christ loved us and gave himself up for us.

1. Servanthood
2. Sacrifice
3. Truth
4. Direction

Walk like Jesus.

There's a fragrance in sacrifice, and in love. Not out of bitterness of selfishness.

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but not everything we believe is right.”**

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Jesus was **transparent**

He had nothing to hide.

But this was a secret trial, done in the cover of darkness

There was no truth in this, there was no justice.

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Do you sacrifice Jesus each day, denying His role in your life?
Do you choose, Barabbas, over Jesus in

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SEEK TRUTH

KNOW TRUTH

**Jesus said to him,
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