

“Speaking Truth, Yet Being Wrong”

Job 11

Intro: It is possible to say things that are true, yet to be wrong. We live in a culture where it seems everything is accepted as truth – it’s easy to focus on the fact that we have the truth. Yet more than having the truth, we need to handle it in a right way. We can be wrong by only focusing the truth on others, neglecting how it impacts us.

I. Truth # 1 – There is a danger in many words. (11:1-3)

- Proverbs 10:19 - _____
- Ecclesiastes 5:3 - _____
- James 3:1-2 - _____

Error – Generalizations are _____.

II. Truth # 2 – God does not punish us as we deserve (4-6)

- Romans 6:23 - _____

Error – One sided _____ - Matthew 7:1-5

III. Truth # 3 – God will do as He wills. (7-12)

- No explanation needed here!

Error – Presuming to _____ (verse 7)

IV. Truth # 4 – Righteousness brings security (13-20)

- God gives grace to the humble, strengthens those who trust in him, provides for, and secures our future.

Error – Job needed _____, not judgement.

Conclusion – Zophar new many true things, but his great error came in only applying them to Job. The truth can best be shared with others when it has been thoroughly applied to ourselves.

“The ‘Catch’ of Forgiveness”

Matthew 18

Intro – Those who want to find an excuse not to follow Christ often look for the ‘catch’ – there’s gotta be a catch. And there is a catch – to forgiveness. A person who is truly forgiven will have the _____ to forgive others. Not so much a catch, as a _____ of what has taken place.

I. Once is _____ (18:21-22)

II. God will forgive the _____ (23-27)

III. Being forgiven must _____ our hearts. (28-35)

- Why?
 - We _____ God to those around us.
 - God _____ us to.
- How?
 - Because we are _____.
 - Having our debt _____ gives us room to _____ debts against us.

Conclusion – How do we do it? What if we struggle with forgiving others? We need to focus on _____ until we understand how _____ our forgiveness is.

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Intro:

- I. Generally wrong
- II. Application
- III. Know why
- IV. encouragement

Conclusion:

Matthew

Intro: freedom, proof

- I. never enough,
- II. greatest debts,
- III. change, picture, tells, forgiven, pardoned, pardon

Conclusion: Our debt, great.