

THE FOUNDATION FOR HAPPINESS

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MYTH: “It doesn’t matter what you believe as long as you’re sincere”

THE TRUTH ABOUT WHAT YOU BELIEVE

1. My beliefs are my _____

Instead of believing what they knew was the truth about God, they deliberately chose to believe lies. Romans 1:25(LB)

2. My beliefs determine my _____

Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. Proverbs 4:23(NLT)

3. _____ has taught me many false beliefs

Don’t always believe everything you hear. Carefully weigh and examine what people tell you, for there are many false teachers around. 1 John 4:1(LB)

4. _____ beliefs are the cause of my emotional problems and unhappiness

And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. John 8:32(NLT)

5. The only source of absolute truth is _____

Even if everyone else is a liar, God is true. Romans 3:4(NLT)

Though all heaven and earth shall pass away, yet my words remain forever true. Luke 21:33(LB)

6. Our lives were designed to be built on the _____ of God’s truth

Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. Matthew 7:24, 26(NIV)

COMMITMENTS THAT LEAD TO HAPPINESS

1. I commit myself to _____ the truth

For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. They will reject the truth and chase after myths. 2 Timothy 4:3-4(NLT)

2. I commit myself to _____ the truth

Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won’t be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching. We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ... Ephesians 4:14-15(NLT)

Jesus said “I am the way, the truth, and the life.” John 14:6(NLT)