

Sermon Notes

Standing for Truth in a Post-Truth Culture

“Understanding the Threat”

Romans 1:18-22

Intro

Big Idea: Believers must stand for truth in a Post-truth culture.

I. Post-truth defined: “relating to or denoting circumstances in which facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and beliefs.”

1. Soft mode: Facts exist but do not matter.
2. Hard mode: “Willingly propagating blatant falsehoods to serve a political or social agenda.”

Post-modernism has largely been replaced.

II. Where Post-truth originates. Romans 1:18-22

III. Where a Post-truth America is heading. (John Dickerson’s view)

1. Deconstruction of Christian-based morality, values, laws, and aspirations.
2. Increased corruption in government.
3. Greater ideological division among Americans.
4. Hatred toward Christians and Christian institutions.
5. Ill-equipped to discuss, define, or defend against hostile threats.

IV. What we can do.

1. Get over the shock and get realistic. 1 Peter 4:12
2. See ourselves as missionaries, not the Moral Majority. Mt. 28:18-20
3. Become better equipped to live for Christ in a Post-truth world. Eph. 6:10
4. Stay rooted in the Scriptures. II Peter 3:18

Conclusion