

# What is Truth?

## John 18:33 - 38

<sup>33</sup> Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

<sup>34</sup> “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?”

<sup>35</sup> “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

<sup>36</sup> Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

<sup>37</sup> “You are a king, then!” said Pilate.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

<sup>38</sup> “What is truth?” retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, “I find no basis for a charge against him.”

## John 14:16

<sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

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Chapter 5 Dictatorship of Relativism, pgs. 50 – 51.

Here the Holy Father discusses the concept of Truth vs Relativism.

### **A Testament to the Truth**

Below is an entry on the Parish website to a very holy Priest and a good friend of my family who has just retired from active ministry at the age of 84 years from SAINT ANTHONY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, WALDPOR, OREGON, USA - <http://members.pioneer.net/~stanthony/>

#### *The End of an Era at St. Anthony Parish*

Father Gerard G. Steckler, SJ, has retired and left St. Anthony. This wonderful priest worked far beyond the suggested retirement age of 70 years. In April he will turn 84. We were blessed to have him as our pastor for over 14 years, and wish him God's blessings and pray for his health as he retires with other Jesuit priests in Spokane, Washington. Father Steckler is a virtual encyclopedia of Catholic doctrine and tradition, and always preached the Truth, something which seems to be missing in our secular society. Some parishioners chose to leave, some to stay and learn. No matter what you thought of him, he was right.

An alliance made in Heaven. Pope Benedict XVI, born April 16, 1927, and  
Father Gerard Steckler, S.J., born April 17, 1927.

