

HOW DO I KNOW WHAT'S TRUE?

"The truth will set you free." John 8:32 (NIV)

Philosophy and logic!

"Law of non-contradiction"

Claim: "truth cannot be known" then "claim this view is true"

SIGNS OF DECLINE OF TRUTH IN SOCIETY

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"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." Ephesians 4:14 (NLT)
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"They don't care anymore about right and wrong, and they have given themselves over to immoral ways. Their lives are filled with all kinds of impurity and greed." Ephesians 4:19 (TLB)
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"... Do not practice fortune-telling ..." Leviticus 19:26 (NLT)
"You know the commandments 'You shall not give false testimony' ..." Luke 18:20 (NIV)
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"Where there is ignorance of God, crime runs wild ..." Proverbs 29:18 (TLB)
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"They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator..." Rom. 1:25 (NIV)

HOW THEN DO I KNOW WHAT'S TRUE? THROUGH

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"¹⁹... since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. ²⁰For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse." Romans 1:19-20 (NIV)
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"¹⁴Even Gentiles, who do not have God's written law, show that they know his law when they instinctively obey it, even without having heard it. ¹⁵They demonstrate that God's law is written in their hearts, for their own conscience and thoughts either accuse them or tell them they are doing right." Romans 2:14-15 (NLT)
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"The simple believe anything, but the prudent give thought to their steps." Proverbs 14:15 (NIV)
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"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living." 2 Timothy 3:16 (GNB)
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"¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you." John 14: 16-17 (NIV)
"I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6 (NIV)