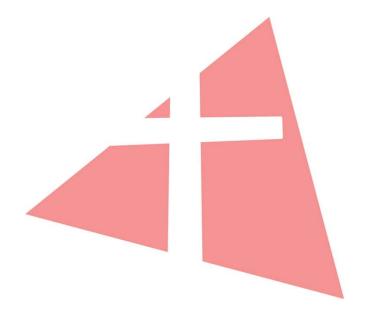
# Who is God? Who am I? Resisting Lies, Embracing the Truth (Part 2)

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#### **Our Series**

- If we know all this to be true, why do we have such difficulties acting on what we say we believe?
- Sources of lies
  - Lack of Biblical Knowledge
  - Parents
  - Culture/Society
  - Life Experiences
  - Unforgiveness



# Today's Focus

- O How can we resist those lies?
- O How can we stand on God's Truth, even when we have difficulties believing them?

#### The World we live in

- We constantly hear two voices
  - Satan lies to us through this world
  - The Holy Spirit is offering to speak to us
- We choose which voice we believe more
- We act on the voice we choose to be true



#### The World we live in

- If we do nothing, we will only hear satan's voice
- We have to be proactive to hear God's Voice and Truth

1 Kings 19:11-13 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the LORD. And, behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains, and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD; but the LORD was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the LORD was not in the earthquake: And after the earthquake a fire; but the LORD was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice. And it was so, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entrance of the cave. And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What do you here, Elijah?

## **Spiritual Warfare**

John 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father you will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

Ephesians 6:14 Stand therefore, having your loins girded about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

Renewing our Minds

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be transformed by the ren<mark>ewing o</mark>f your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

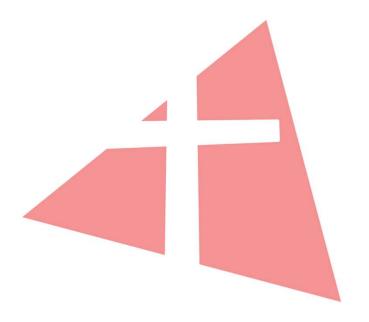
#### O Prayer

Ephesians 1:15-21 Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints, Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers; That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of his calling, and what is the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, And what is the exceeding greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, Which he performed in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come:

#### Community

James 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that yo<mark>u may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.</mark>

- Facing the struggles and the sources of our struggles
  - Accept how God made us
  - Accept what God allowed in our lives



#### • Forgiveness

• Letting go of our right to revenge

Ephesians 4:32 And be you kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake has forgiven you.

#### **Action**

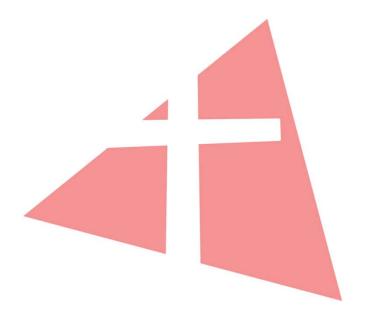
- Act on what we know in our heads is true
- Resisting the voice of fear

James 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

1 John 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear: because fear has to do with punishment. He that fears is not made perfect in love.

## **Our Choice**

- We can choose the way we live
  - Live in light of satan's lies
  - Live in light of God's Truth



### Freedom

Galatians 5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty with which Christ has made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

## In Conclusion

- We constantly hear two voices
- We choose which voice we believe
- Our lives and our actions reflect which voice we truly believe
- Our choice affects our freedom

