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Earlier, Jesus had told the ones following Him, “You shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free” (John 8:32). Here, the Greek word for truth is *aletheia*, which does not mean “doctrine” but rather “reality”. Jesus was telling them that the truth that would set them free is not the so-called truth of doctrine but the truth which is the reality of the divine things.

Jesus went on to say, “If therefore the Son sets you free, you shall be free indeed” (John 8:36). In saying this, Jesus was telling them that this reality,

this truth, is actually a person, and this person is the Lord Jesus Himself, the Son of God. As the embodiment and expression of God (Colossians 2:9) He is the truth, the reality.

We can only find reality in Jesus. This means that outside of Him, everything else is a shadow, and everything else is fading and passing away. Persons, careers, hobbies, and all other things dear to us, no matter how good or enjoyable they might be, still leave us empty and searching for reality.

Jesus said in John 14:6, “I am the way and the reality and the life.” To have reality we need to come to Jesus and believe into Him. When we believe into Him, we receive reality, we receive truth. We can only know truth by receiving and knowing this Person. If you are seeking truth simply pray to receive the One who is reality:

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