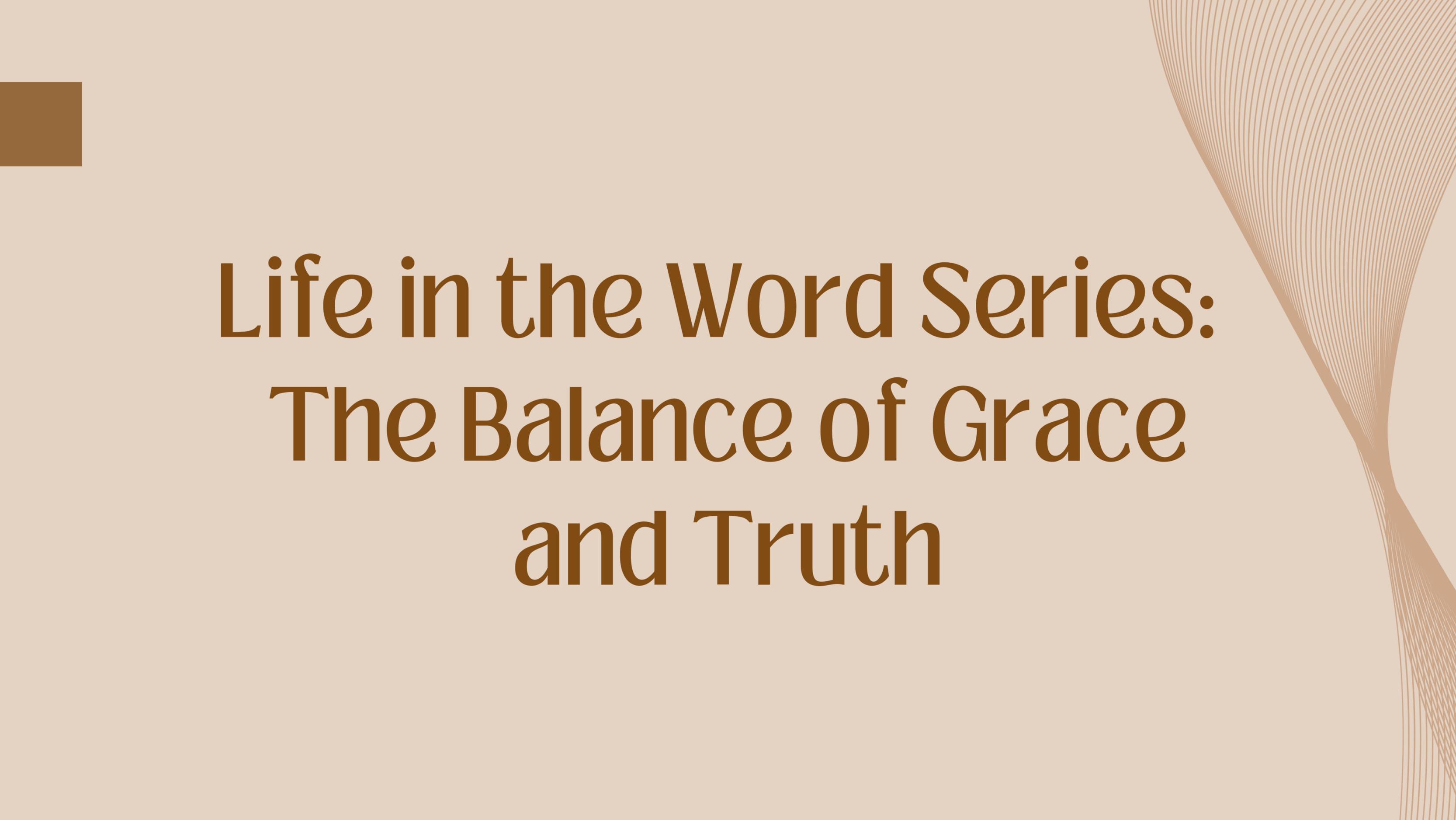
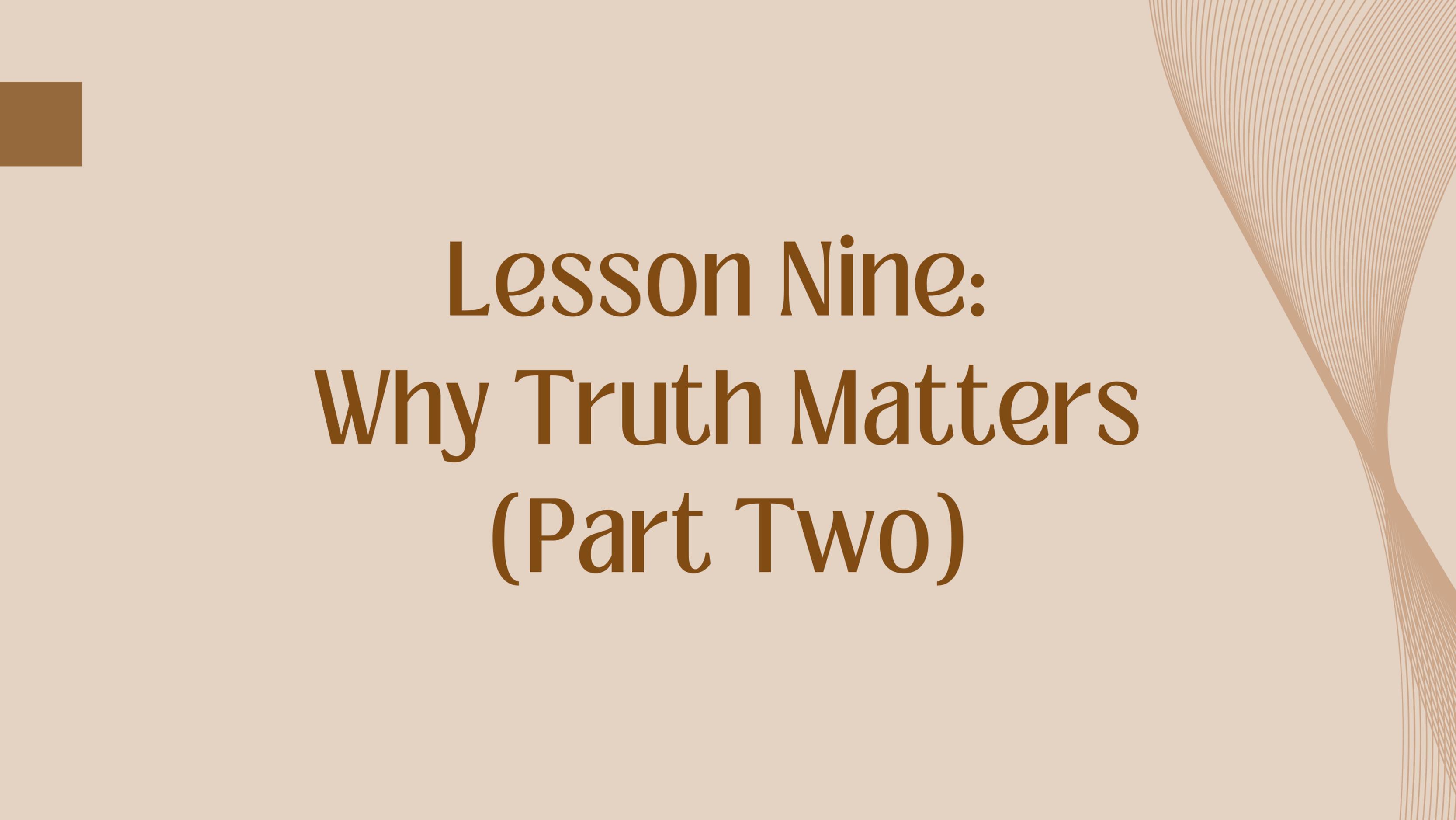


LESSON TITLE:

**WHY TRUTH MATTERS
(PART TWO)**



Life in the Word Series: The Balance of Grace and Truth



Lesson Nine: Why Truth Matters (Part Two)



John 1:14, And the Word became
flesh and dwelt among us, and
we beheld His glory, the glory as
of the only begotten of the
Father, full of grace and truth.

John 14:6-7, Jesus said to him, “I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him”



Five Principles About Why Truth Matters:

1. We must know the Truth in order to live according to Truth.



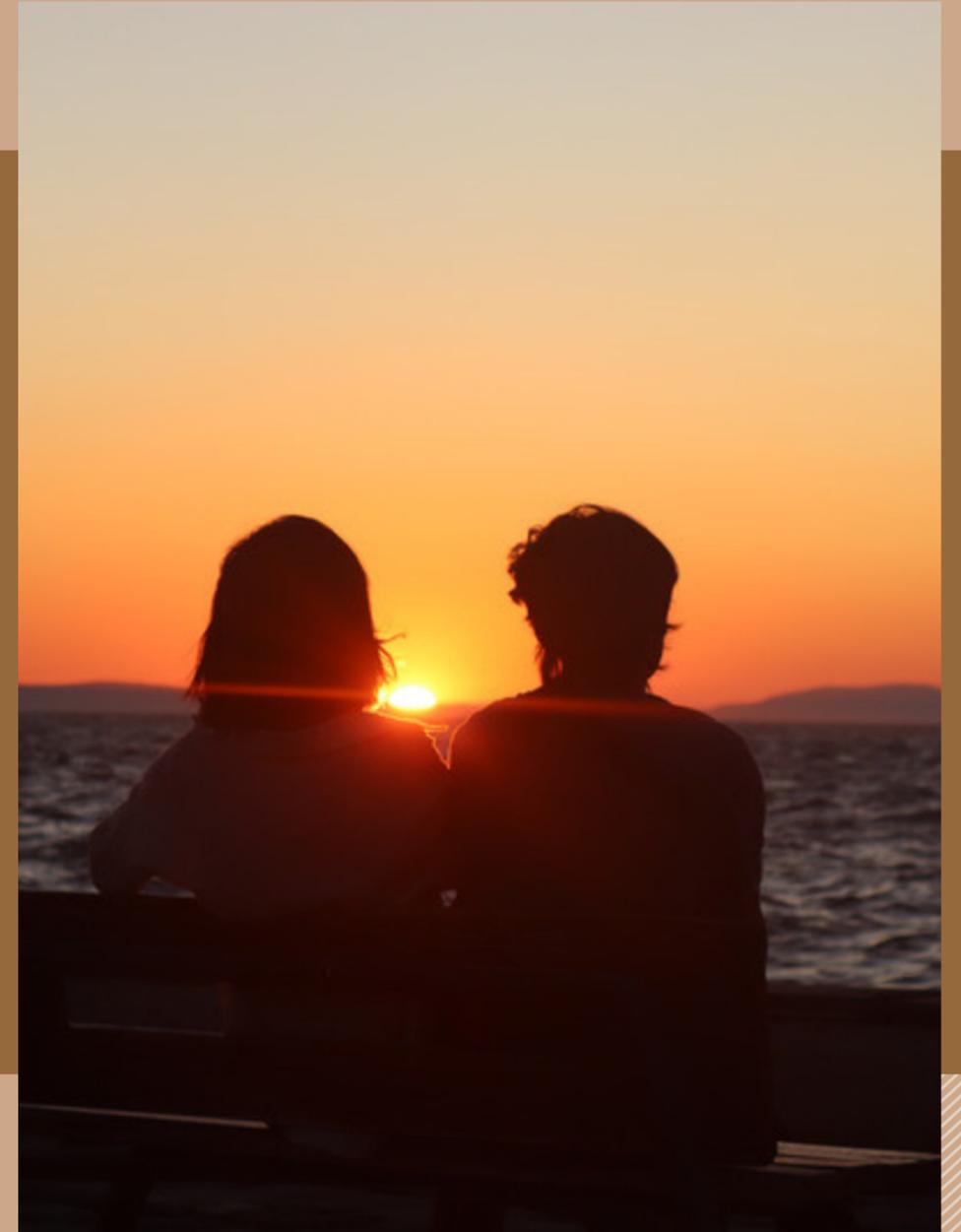
2. The Word of God is a Mirror.



3. The more Truth you know and practice, the freer you will be from everything that infects you.



4. The Truth will
strengthen our vertical
and horizontal
relationships.



5. The Truth Dispels Every Lie





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6. The Truth Saves Us



2 Thessalonians 2:10, They
perish because they
refused to love the truth
and so be saved.

1 Timothy 2:3-4, This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

John 14:21, “Whoever has My
commands and obeys them,
he is the one who loves Me.

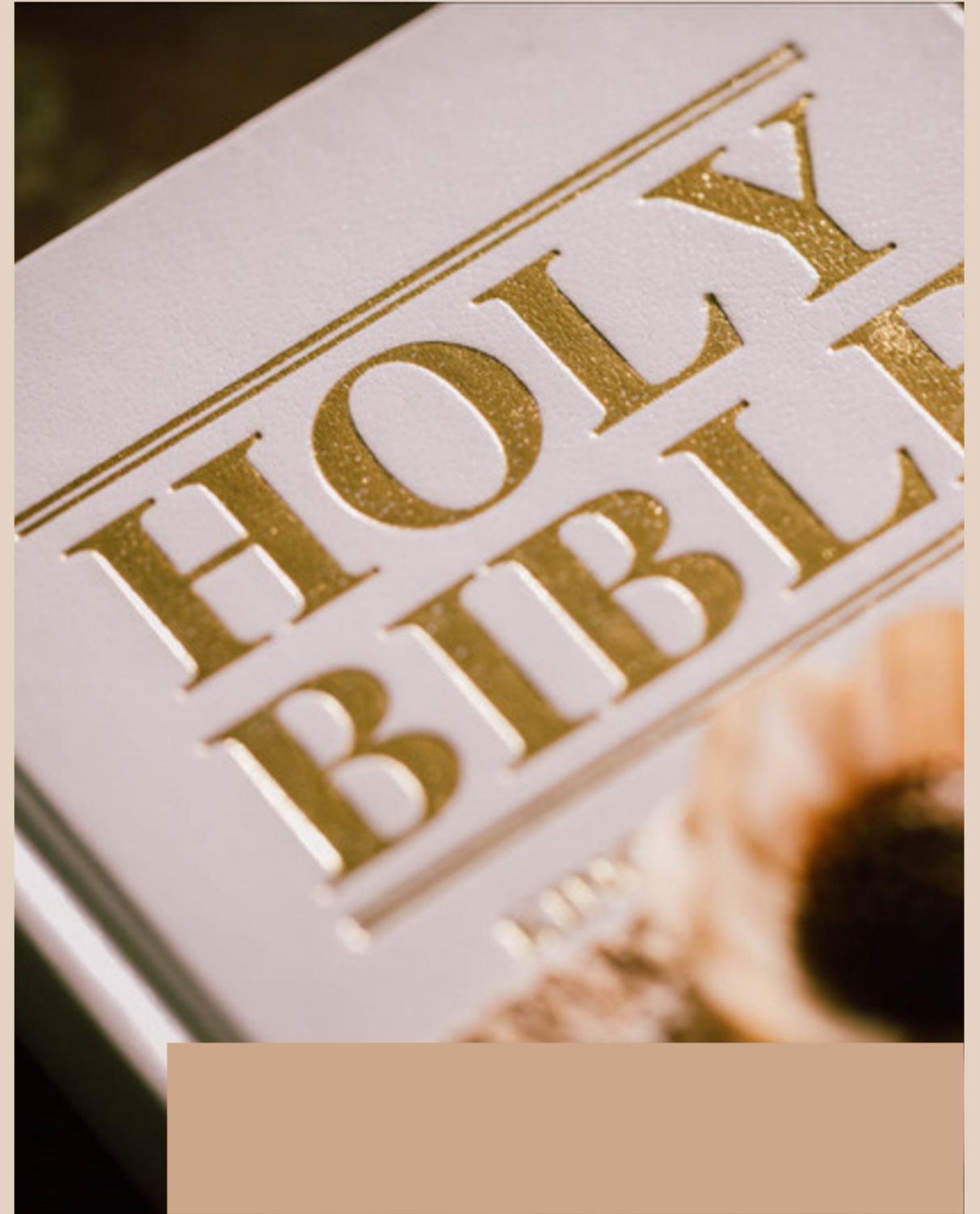
He who loves

Me will be loved by my Father,
and I too will love him and
show Myself to him

7. The Truth Protects Us



Reference
Scripture:
2 Peter 2:1-3



2 Peter 2:1-3, But there were also false prophets in Israel, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will cleverly teach destructive heresies and even deny the Master who bought them. In this way, they will bring sudden destruction on themselves. Many will follow their evil teaching and shameful immorality. And because of these teachers, the way of truth will be slandered. In their greed they will make up clever lies to get hold of your money. But God condemned them long ago, and their destruction will not be delayed.

Ephesians 4:14-15, Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of Him who is the head, that is, Christ.

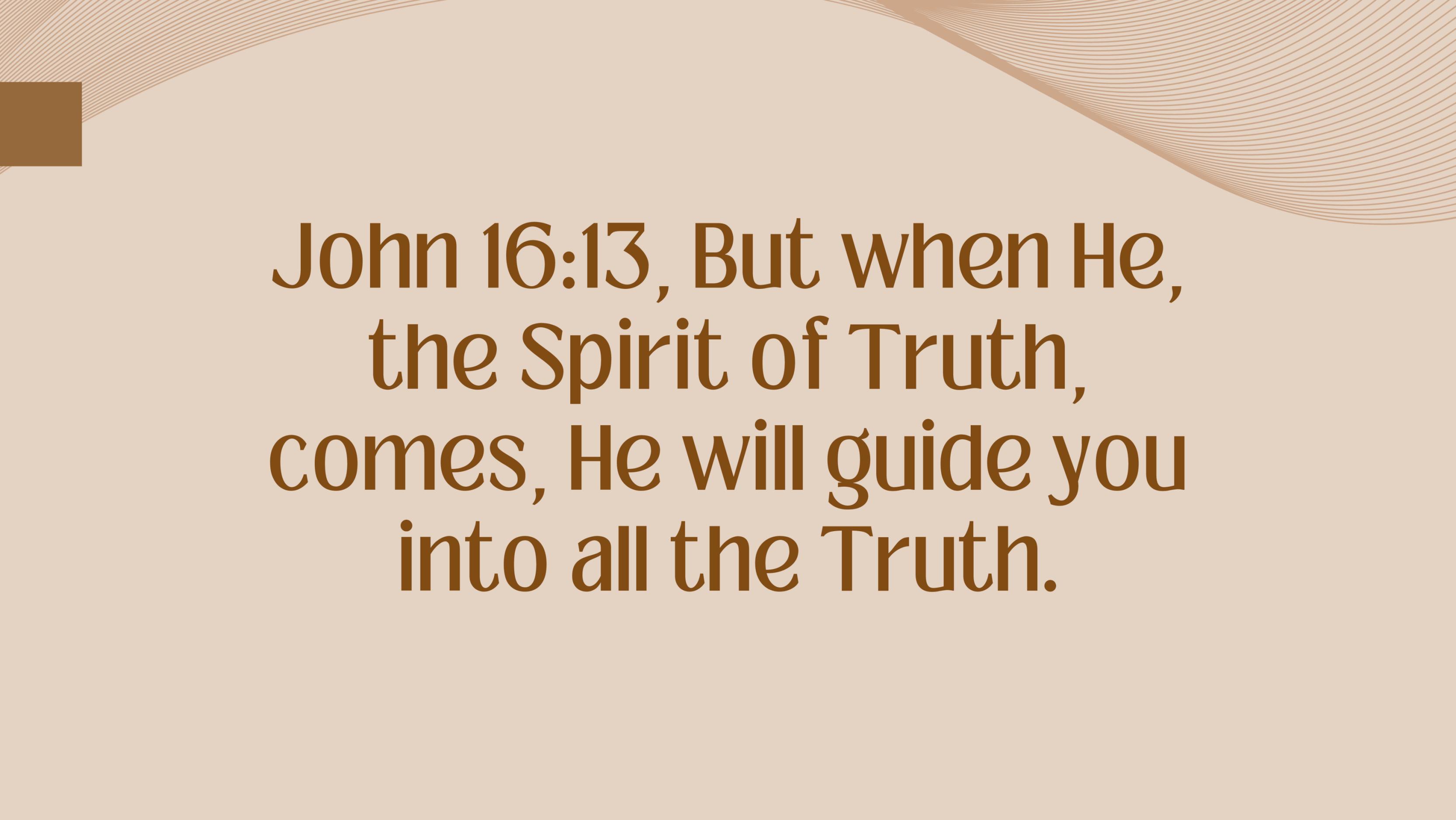
8. The Truth Saves Others



“We look, talk, and walk
like Jesus did because
the Truth transforms us
to be just like Him.”

9. The Truth Empowers Us to Stand

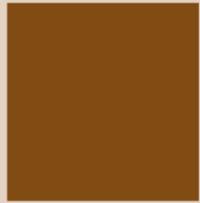


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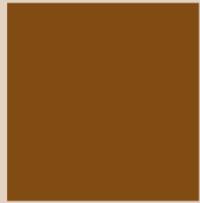
John 16:13, But when He,
the Spirit of Truth,
comes, He will guide you
into all the Truth.



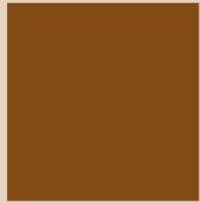
Three Big Ideas in Standing Firm in Truth:



1. Truth Is Not a
Trend—It's a Person.



2. Discernment Helps Us Spot Counterfeits.



3. Conviction Keeps Us from Compromise



“Conviction doesn’t
make you harsh, it
makes you holy.”

Anchoring your life in Truth
gives you peace in chaos,
direction in confusion, and
strength in the face of
compromise.



“Truth is not determined by popularity. It is secured by the character of God.”



Follow Up Chat Questions:

- 1. To love Jesus, is to love the Truth. Explain.**
- 2. Why is it important to obey the Truth?**
- 3. How can followers of Christ protect themselves from what is false?**
- 4. “Christians are commissioned to be trailblazers for God.” Explain.**
- 5. List the three Big Ideas in standing firm in truth.**
- 6. Which idea resonated with you the most?**