

## 10 Truths Christianity Has Forgotten! Part 1 - Jim Staley 2024

Hello, everyone. Jim Staley, Passion for Truth Ministries, and welcome to this broadcast. Shabbat Shalom. If you are out there anywhere in the world, we are so grateful that you are joining us. I am truly LIVE, right here in Studio B. It's a beautiful, sunny morning here outside of St. Louis, and wherever you may be found from across the nation to across the sea, we are glad that you are joining us here today. Today, we're going to be talking about the top 10 reasons why I do what I do. It's why you do what you do or why you *should* do what you do. We're going to discuss all of that. *What is the truth?* Why do we need to get back to the truth? Where has Christianity gone wrong over the last 1,700 years? We're going to discuss it as we dive into today's topic. Today is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, and the history of it, right after this.

All right, my friends, it is Jim Staley here again, <u>Passion for Truth Ministries</u>, and I am so grateful that you're going to take a few minutes out to listen to me. *Who am I*? But we are going to talk about really what is Passion For Truth. There's so many new people on this channel. Hundreds of thousands of people have joined this year to follow us, and many of them don't know who we are and what we are doing. What we are going to do is give you a history of why Passion for Truth is so important in your life. I'm not talking about a ministry, I'm talking about the **truth** and why *you* should have a **passion** for it. We're going to start all the way back in the scriptures. Let history dictate for us exactly why we're doing what we're doing, where we went wrong, and what should we be doing today. After all, if you want to be set free, to follow God with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength, there is only one way to do it, and that's to know the truth, and *the truth will set you free.* 

What we want to discover today in this very short broadcast is, what *is* the truth? That ancient question that Pilate asked, "*what is the truth*?" And then, of course, you move forward 20 centuries, and you get to a movie that says **you can't handle the truth**. I believe that's where we're at here in Christianity, is that we believe that we know the truth, but we really can't handle the **real truth**, the **whole truth**, and **nothing but the truth**. You know why? Because it messes with our philosophy, not necessarily our theology. It messes with our philosophy of life, and how we want to live our life, and ultimately, life has become all about us, and what we want to do, how we want to live, and all the traditions that go along with that. I'm not saying that traditions

are bad for sure, I have a lot of traditions in my own life. But what we want to do is make sure those traditions line up with the Word of God.

Before we go any further, let's dive into what I believe are the top 10 truths. You can write them down, the top 10 truths of **Passion For Truth**, of why we do what we do. These top 10 things that I'm going to share with you are *critical* to understanding why the Christian roots of our faith are so important to our life. If we don't understand the history of how truth has evolved today in Christianity, and ultimately, the woke philosophy has even infiltrated the Church, but we don't see it, or realize it, that this progressive, woke theology has been in the Church for a very, very long time. I'm going to prove it to you right now in this broadcast. I've got just 10 PowerPoints here, go figure, on 10 truths of why we do what we do. Let's go over to the PowerPoint. Here we go.

Number one, God is truth. Now, I know that sounds absolutely just simplistic in form, but *that's* how simple it is. We start off with the number one truth, God is the truth. Deuteronomy 32, verse 4 says this, "He is the Rock. His work is perfect; His ways are justice, A God of truth and without injustice; Righteousness and upright is He." Amen. That means that He's a rock, we can trust Him, what He says goes because ultimately God is truth. Everyone in the world is searching for truth. Whether they know they're searching for truth or not is a different story, but they *are* searching for truth. They might find it in alcohol. They might find it in relationships. They might find it in pornography. They might find it *in a mixture*, and that's typically how people find truth, is they get a little bit over here from the Bible. They get a little over here from Buddha. They get a little over here from booze. They get a little over here with their hobby. Whatever it is, that becomes their truth.

*Truth* is the fundamental thing that you pursue the most. Did you hear what I just said? Truth is the fundamental thing that you pursue the most. That's *your* truth. But whatever *the* truth is, that should be pursuit of God. Some of you need to hear this quick message, some of you are pursuing the Scriptures. That is not what we're commanded to pursue. We *study* the Scriptures to *show* ourselves approved, a workman that rightly divides the word of truth. But *God* is the ultimate thing that we're supposed to pursue. He's not a thing. He is a person. He is a deity. It is a relationship that He's looking for. If you do not pursue *relationship* with Him, then you're not pursuing truth at all.

You can try to figure out the end days. You can try to figure out, you can try to figure out a calendar. You can try to figure out the Greek and the Hebrew, the Aramaic, the Latin. You can try to figure out the Japanese part of the Scriptures, if there is one, there's not. You can pursue whatever you want, but if you don't pursue Him, you're not pursuing the truth. Some of you out there that are academic minded, let me challenge you, because that's me. We need to make sure we pursue Him. And that sometimes means that we just sit in silence without the Scriptures, **meditating on Him, sitting in His presence.** Amen.

John 14:6 says this, "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No man comes to the Father except by Him." This is an important truth because this is where Jesus,

Yeshua in the Hebrew, says that He is the truth. God Himself is the truth and then God sends His only begotten Son as the representative of Himself, the Father. And He becomes the truth. He becomes the perfect representation of truth in the earth realm. *Without Christ, there is no monitor* to understand, quote unquote, the computer. Every one of us that have a computer right now, I've got like all kinds of monitors in front of me, it looks like NASA here in my studio. Without the monitors, there's no way for me to be able to know the information that's inside of the computer, the hard drive. It's *the monitor* that is a direct representation of what's inside. The Father is unseen. The Son is seen. He is the monitor. He is the representation. Without Him, we have nothing. This is a truth that Passion For Truth fundamentally believes in with all of our heart, mind, soul, and strength. Everything inside of us depends on that high priesthood in the order of Melchizedek to be the monitor to open up the curtain so that we can boldly go, Hebrews says, we can boldly go inside the Holy of Holies. Excuse me, I haven't had my coffee this morning. It is at this point that the second truth is *as* important as the first truth. **Jesus, Yeshua, is the truth.** Okay? All right.

That's just the first truth. The **second truth is this, the Word is truth.** Or if you're old like me, thy word is truth. Or if you're a King James person, right? Let's read a couple of scriptures talking about this. **John chapter 17, verse 17** says this, **"Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth."** Now look, I know this might sound pretty basic and fundamental. When I get further down the timeline, you're going to see *why these truths are so important.* When you get to the Constitution of the United States, why it says "*These truths are self-evident.*" Unfortunately, in our woke generation, apparently they're not self-evident anymore, which is why we need to go back to the basics to find out what *is* self-evident. What *is* the truth? Once you find the truth, everything else gets built upon it. All right?

Here we go. **Psalms chapter 119, verse 160** says, **"The entirety of your word is truth, every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever."** Every word that God says is truth. Period. Now, does that mean that there are not discrepancies within the Scriptures because of translations, because of transliterations, because of the time that it took over 1500 years on three different continents in three different languages, 40 different authors, there are some discrepancies that are minor, but they do not affect the 200 plus major themes that are found in the Scriptures. They can be trusted. This is why when you open up the Dead Sea Scrolls, you discover the entire Book of Isaiah, word for word, is the *same* as the Book of Isaiah that we have today. So, it can be trusted, okay, without a doubt. God's word is the truth.

**Psalms 119:105,** I love this one, it says, **"Your word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**<sup>106</sup> I have sworn and confirmed that I will keep your righteous judgments." Now, I put that last one in there, **Psalm 119:106**, because nobody memorizes that scripture. Everyone wants to memorize, "Your word is a lamp unto my feet and a light on my path," but they don't want to go as far as quoting the next scripture that says, "Your righteous judgments are what's important to me. Your *commandments* are what the lamp is unto his feet." So fundamentally, word is truth, number two truth in Passion for Truth Ministries is that we believe the Word of God is true. We believe that David is a great example in Psalm 119 of *why* it's so important and specifically what that truth is. I dare you, 176 verses in the book of Psalms, chapter 119, *find a* 

*verse* that's not talking about God's commandments and His ordinances, His decrees and His judgments, right? And you'll win that game. But you won't because you can't find a verse in Psalm 119, the largest chapter in the Bible, the longest chapter in the Bible, I should say, every verse is talking about the power of the Word of God, the law of God, the commandments of God, the ordinance of God. He meditates on day and night. It's something we've lost in Christianity, and I'm going to show you why as we move through these truths. Okay?

All right. Let's move down through this and move point number three. The entire Bible is the Word of God. Now, you might say to yourself, "now, Jim, this is no brainer." No, no, no. It is a brainer, my friends, because the woke theology that has come into the church over the last 1700 years has changed the definitions of the Word of God. They use the Word of God when it's convenient to say what we believe is this, but then we don't believe this over here, thus nullifying the very thing that they say they believe. You cannot say that you believe the Word of God is the entire Bible and then not believe the entire Bible. You can't, that's an oxymoron. It's paradoxically impossible. You cannot speak out of both sides of your mouth. That's like salt water and fresh water living together. That's like a shark, right, and a catfish operating together. They don't. It's never going to work, right? That relationship is just not going to work, okay? Or an orca, a killer whale, becoming best friends with a seal. That's not how nature works. In the same way, you cannot say that the Word of God is the Old Testament and the New Testament, and then not believe what God said in the front of the book. So, we're going to talk about that. A fundamental belief here at Passion For Truth is that we believe the entire Bible is the word of truth, is the Word of God. Every word. Every word. Can I say that one more time? Every word. Okay.

Let me find a scripture in the New Testament that proves what I just said is true. We're going to go over to, let Paul talk here for just a second. This is a phenomenal scripture. If you don't know this scripture, and you're in the same likeness of faith that I am, that the whole Bible is true from beginning to end, then 2 Timothy 3:16 is your best friend. Here it is. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." Let me read that again slowly. For those of you that are brand new to this ministry wanting to know what in the world does ministry believe, you can put it all really in this one verse. Listen carefully. All Scripture. Stop. Right there. This is an important point to point out. In the New Testament times, when this was written, when Second Timothy was written, there was no New Testament. That's really important for us to remember, and we oftentimes forget that. Because we, 21st century, 20 centuries later, look back and we go, okay, this is Scripture, so we assume that they believe that this is Scripture. But the Scriptures in the New Testament, all of these letters that were written, two-thirds of them by the Apostle Paul, to early congregations in the first century, none of them considered those letters Scripture. It would not be for hundreds of years later that the New Testament would get canonized as being these letters inspired by God Himself. Now I happen to 100% believe that, I absolutely agree, they are considered Scripture. Scripture is inspired by God, as written by God with the pen of man, 100%. But in the time that this was written, the word scripture did not mean Second Timothy. There was no second Timothy. This was the second letter, right? This was a letter to Timothy.

So when he says "*all Scripture*," **the definition of Scripture in that time period was the Old Testament.** 

Now look, ladies and gentlemen, this is going to mess up a lot of people without a doubt. Like your whole theology gets warped when you discover that as a Christian that second Timothy 3:16 is talking about the whole Bible, is talking about the whole Old Testament, specifically because it says the Old Testament. If you were reading this today the way that Paul meant it, it would be read this way, all of the Tanakh, all of the Old Testament is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine. The Old Testament is profitable for reproof. The Old Testament is profitable for correction. The Old Testament is profitable for instruction in righteousness. When was the last time, ladies and gentlemen, you heard a pastor, a bishop, a priest, a deacon, a Sunday school teacher teach that the *Old Testament is the foundation stone of all doctrine*? Let that sit for just a minute.

We cannot believe that the Old Testament is just stories and worthy for little coloring books for our five, six, and seven-year-olds, when they go to Sunday school, right? That is not what the Old Testament was designed to do. Paul would be rolling over his grave to think that we have literally taken the entire 39 books, the foundation of the entire menorah, the entire light and word of God, and we have put it aside and put a nice little dress on it and said, you sit there right there like a dog, a pony in the window, right? You just, or whatever that saying is I'm trying to think of, look at that doggy in the window, I think is what it is. You just dress it up and you just sit there and look pretty, okay? Like you're important, you were important, you were alive at one point, but we're freezing you in time now, and we want you to just be a good, proper little statue that we can say had its place in time. But now the living word of God, aka Christian theology, New Testament, is the beautiful princess that frolics around in the forest with her magic wand and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and we no longer need the counterpart, okay, over here that's frozen in time.

What I'm here to tell you is that God is heating up the Christian theological world, and that statue is about to melt. In Bible theology, Ezekiel chapter 37, the bones of Joseph are about to come alive. Those bones that we are looking at and saying those are not important anymore, they're going to come alive, and that's going to be the last point. So, stick around for point number 10, because point number 10 is going to be the most important point of truth that I can say that I possibly believe in, that this ministry believes in, that you will believe in, that the Holy Spirit is doing. Stick around to point number 10. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, period. That's a fundamental truth at Passion for Truth, Number three, the entire Bible is the word of God, and we believe it. That means that if you believe something in Hebrew terminology, you do it. You don't believe something intellectually. That's a Greek philosophy. In Hebrew, to believe is to shema, it's to hear, and it's obey. When my kids were little, and I wanted them to do something, and I would say, you know, "Selah, I need you to do this," you know, "blah, blah, blah, blah, blah," shema. That's all I had to say, "shema." Shema, they understood, hear and obey. Now, in their little minds, it was probably a third point of hear and obey or else, okay? And maybe it was the or else that caused so much movement. But shema, I wanted to teach my children, is important. We hear and obey. We don't just hear. We don't just

hear and say, yes, daddy. No, we *do*, right? I teach my children that what we do as believers is important. **We do what we believe.** If you believe that your faith is operated by your works, then you will understand that your works are very important. **Your salvation is not based on your work, but your works is based on your salvation.** Did you hear what I just said? Your salvation is not based on your works, but your works is most certainly based on your salvation. *How you operate* in your life determines or backs up the level of your faith. That's why James says, "Show me your faith without works, and I'll show you my faith by what I do," okay? Christianity could use a lot more *doing*, right? And a lot less just sitting in pews and talking and believing, okay? All right, let's move on. We've beat that one all the way down on the horse.

Number four, the early church was Jewish. Number four, belief in Passion For Truth Ministries on the timeline of truth, it is critical for a Bible-believing Christian who says, "I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, I believe that God raised him from the dead. I am saved based on that knowledge and by faith." That's great. But it is very important that you know, if you're going to interpret the scriptures properly, that the early church was Jewish. Virtually all of the early church in the first century was made up of Jewish believers who practiced their faith from that perspective and within the framework of first century Judaism. Never did they ever think for one split second that they were no longer Jewish or no longer needed to follow God's eternal law, period. That is a fundamental truth. That is important for every believer to understand and know is that the first century believers were Jewish. There's just no discussion. There's no academic discussion. There's no, there's no theological debate. That is a fact in history. The reason why that fact is so important is because when you read the scriptures, we tend to read into the scriptures from our 21st century Greco-Roman mindset, our Western Greco-Roman mindset. And that means you're going to be biased based on whatever your denominational background is. So, if you're Baptist, you're going to be biased in the Baptist arena. If you're Lutheran, you're going to be biased in the Lutheran, a theological bent and so on and so forth.

What we've got to do is **strip ourselves from our current theological construct and deconstruct that all the way** *past***Protestantism**, the protesting of 1511, *past* Catholicism and the Roman church of the third and fourth centuries, and all the way back *past* even the church fathers who were Gentiles trying to find their way. They certainly loved God, I have no doubt about that, but we're divorced from their Christian roots that were found in Judaism. We got to go back to the first century and discover what did these guys believe *before* the Roman church took over. What did they believe when they wrote these things? Okay. If you want to understand a biography, you need to understand what that person believed. Where did they come from? What was their construct? How did they grow up? What was the context of their life? What was their previous belief system before they came to know Christ? Because everything from that moment forward is going to be dictated by their belief system. Okay. No one can help that. This is how you interpret the Bible properly. Find out what the author believed *first*, divorce yourself from all of your bias and go what did they believe?

As I just showed you in Second Timothy 3:16, when Paul makes that statement, "all Scripture," his belief system is the Scriptures is what we call the Old Testament, what he called simply the

Scriptures. Okay. Knowing that radically helps you understand the New Testament. That the Jewish foundation of Christianity is where we get Judeo Christian worldview right from, it's because Christianity comes from a Judeo backdrop that we must interpret the Scriptures from the Judeo backdrop, *not* from the Christian backdrop. The Christian backdrop came in hundreds and evolved over the last 1800 years, we can't do that. We have to start with the Judeo backdrop. This is where everything goes wrong.

All right. You're ready for number five. So, it's going to be kind of a shock for some of you that are new to this ministry. **Number five**, here we go. **The Gentiles met in synagogues.** That's right, they did. When the Gentiles began to get saved, they all met in the synagogues with the **Jews on Shabbat, which is simply the Hebrew for the Sabbath on the seventh day.** Remember that when God rested in the garden on the seventh day, not on the third day or the sixth day or the first day. No, I'm not a Seventh Day Adventist by any stretch of the imagination, I just can read. I don't have the highest education, I have a master's degree, working on my doctorate. Don't claim to be the smartest guy, but even in the English, it's clear that God rested on the seventh day and that was the Sabbath. And they met with one another, the Christians, that is those that believed in Christ, which were the Jews, a sect of Judaism. It's important also for us to know that **Christianity was a sect of Judaism in the first century**, and they met on Shabbat with the Jews in the synagogue. Then that night, Saturday night, they met in homes because now all of the ones that are meeting in the homes, they're all believers in Christ, okay. This is where we get the early church service.

Would you join me by turning with me to Acts chapter 20? This is going to be kind of a critical juncture point here. If we turn to Acts chapter 20, you're going to see something here. In **Acts chapter 20, verse 7**, where the whole Sunday church came from and why we've got this all wrong. First, it's important for me to let you know that in Jewish culture, the original Christian roots of our faith, quite frankly, we're Jewish. I remember my mom telling me growing up that when she learned that Jesus was Jewish, she almost passed out. She grew up a good Catholic, never in her right mind ever thought that Jesus was Jewish. Maybe there's somebody out there that had doesn't know that, but **Jesus was Jewish**. He was inside of the house of Judah in the first century.

Now, why is this so important? Because inside of Judaism, they kept God's law perfectly, or at least they attempted to, and sometimes choked it out with all the traditions, but they believed in the fourth commandment, which is remember the Sabbath day and make it holy, and the Sabbath was on a Saturday, the seventh day of the week. In biblical times, the **days went from sundown to sundown**, okay. When the sun went down at approximately 6 PM, that's when the next day began. **Friday night began the Sabbath, and it went all the way until Saturday night at the end of the day when the sun went down**, *that* was the Sabbath. **The first day of the week started Saturday night at sundown**. *This is critical*. If you haven't watched my <u>Sabbath series</u>, I think I have a four-part series on it. We'll put it in the description, and you can watch that. It goes through all the myths, all the everything, all the minutia, to show what the Sabbath is all about, what we're supposed to do. So on and so forth.

It is really important that we know that in the first century, that the Sabbath started Friday night. We know that even from Josephus, who was a first century Jewish historian, that the Sabbath started Friday night and ended Saturday night. Sunday started Saturday night. Why is that so important? Watch this. Let's go back to the Bible. It says this verse 7, "Now on the first of the week, first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight. <sup>8</sup> There were many lamps in the upper room where they gathered together. <sup>9</sup> And in a window sat a certain young man named Uticus who was sinking into a deep sleep." Apparently, Paul was just like me, he could talk forever. So, for those of you that sometimes get bored of me talking apparently Paul had the same problem. Uticus falls asleep. "He was overcome by sleep; and as Paul continues speaking, he fell down from the third story and was taken up dead." Third story window, Uticus, if you've fallen asleep, don't sit in the third story window for crying out loud. "<sup>10</sup> Paul went down, fell on him, embraced him and said, 'Do not trouble yourself, for his life is in him.'<sup>11</sup> Now when he had come up, he had broken bread and eaten, and talked a long while, even till daybreak, he departed." Paul couldn't take a hint. A guy dies on his watch from talking too long, they get back up, raises from the dead, give him a little bread, go all the way till morning. That's a guy ladies and gentlemen that can talk. If my wife is watching this, honey, I am not the only one that can talk for a very long time. All right.

Why am I bringing this up? If you go back up here, it's critical to see that in the first day of the week, they went to break bread and Paul spoke until midnight. Now, why is this so important is because it can't be Sunday morning church because Paul is not speaking. Uticus falls asleep at midnight. It's not midnight Sunday night. We know that because the previous Scriptures talk about him coming after the days of unleavened bread, and he starts his conversation on the first day of the week. We know from history that they went to synagogue in the morning. They stayed there most of the day. And then the Christians would go to individual homes that evening and they would break bread together. All right. So, this is Shabbat evening, this is after the Shabbat near the very end of the Shabbat, the Christians are coming together, then a typical leader like Paul would preach on that Saturday night, Saturday night began Sunday, and that's where all of it went wrong. The early church started Saturday meeting in a synagogue in the afternoon, would meet in homes Saturday night, and then because we're so divorced from our Christian roots and because we don't understand the Hebraic background of our faith, we're thinking the first day of the week, "oh, it must be Sunday morning because we have church on Sunday morning." No, that's reading into the Scriptures, on a theological term that's called eisegesis, you're reading into the Scriptures what we already believe, instead of exceptically pulling from the Scriptures what the author intended. Historically they met Saturday night, and it was all the way into Sunday morning for this particular passage, then Paul leaves. Now, why does he leave on Sunday? Because the religious week is over, Sunday is the first day of the week for the Jews. It's back to work, period. That's how it worked. It was the Romans that had their quote church on Sunday unquote, because it was sun's day. That was their day of worship of the sun god. We'll get to that a little bit. All right.

It's important to understand number five, Gentiles met in the synagogues. They were all together. I got a couple more scriptures that are really critical for you to see before we move on.

I know we need to hurry cause I'm kind of a behind time a little bit. But Acts 15:20 verse 21 says this, "<sup>20</sup> But that we write to them to abstain from things, polluted by idols, from sexual immorality, from things strangled, and from blood. <sup>21</sup> For Moses has had throughout many generations those who preach him in every city, being read in the synagogues every Sabbath." Did you hear what that just said? Every week. So this is the most famous passage in the book of acts in Christianity that we rollout is the four things that the gentiles need to do what does it says. We'll read it again one more time chapter 15 verse 20 "But that we write to them to abstain from things polluted by idols, from sexual immorality, from things strangled, and from blood" now stop. If we back up the entire chapter of 15, you're going to discover this whole thing is not about Christian living, it's about salvation. It's about what it takes to be saved. That word they used was *justified*. What is the word, what does it take to be justified? Can the Gentiles be justified before God? Can they be saved? And James finally stands up after hearing all the evidence, he's the Nasi, the president of the early Messianic church in Jerusalem, and he makes the final decision. He says this, "they can be saved, but they cannot be estranged with things polluted by idols. They have to abstain from sexual immorality, from things strangled, and from blood." In other words, they can be saved, but they can't do these things and maintain fellowship.

Then he makes this incredible cryptic statement that 99.9% of Christians completely miss, we've missed it for 1700 years, and our pastors have never taught it. They always stop at verse 20, but verse 21 says this, "<sup>21</sup> For Moses has had throughout many generations those who preach him in every city, being read in the synagogues every Sabbath." Now what is he saying? He's saying, "these four things they can't do, but they'll learn the rest of the Torah in the synagogue every Shabbat." Right there. We have the ruling that the Gentiles are commanded to meet in the synagogue every Sabbath. Now, you can say, your friends can say all day long that we don't have to keep the Sabbath. Then why in the world is James, the president of the *entire* church, of which Paul himself submits himself to, James is making a command that every Gentile that comes into the faith that believes that Yeshua is the Christ must go to church on Saturday, on the Sabbath, they're going to learn the rest of Moses, which is just an idiomatic expression, meaning the Torah, the instruction manual. What Paul says in Second Timothy is the Scriptures, they're going to learn the rest of it.

It'd be like today, someone coming into a church, and they are homosexual and they're a smoker. The pastor says, "look, they just gave their life to Christ. There's just one thing they cannot do, they cannot continue in their homosexuality. Period. They cannot do that and maintain fellowship here. They'll learn, give them some grace on the smoking. That is going to take some time to get rid of, they'll learn the rest of the rules as they come to church every Sunday." He's not saying that "look, they can't continue in homosexuality, and they can't smoke and that's the only two things they can't do." No, of course not, that's not even logical. The pastor is saying, "look, these are the things that they cannot do and maintain connection here. He cannot involve himself in fornication or homosexuality. The rest of it, God will work on over time." Okay. The same thing is happening here, except for James is telling his audience and he's telling the entire Gentile community and every Gentile pastor that would be from then till now, that you need to be going into the congregation and learning the Torah every Sabbath. It

was never in James' mind that the Sabbath would ever get changed, that Christians would stop connecting with their Jewish counterparts.

Do you know why Christians have such an infatuation with Israel and with the Jewish people, and why we are virtually the only people group in the world that love the Jewish people, or we're supposed to, and why we feel this connection with Israel, the homeland, and helping connect and protect the Jews? We're going through a hell right now in the Middle East and constant wars seem to be coming up all the time. Who knows what the future holds, except for the prophets say that a lot of bad things are about to happen. But why do we feel this connection, *right here*? Because our roots are founded inside of Israel. You cannot divorce those two. The moment you divorce yourself *from* the roots of where your entire fabric of your faith comes from, you start a new religion. You *change the power* into a position. You change it from what God's intention was to man's invention. And that's not where we want to be, ladies and gentlemen. We want to be in the power of God. We want to be in the position where we fully embrace our inheritance, and I'm telling you, our inheritance has been stolen.

All right. Well, I have five more points to get to, but we're not going to get to them today. You'll have to stay tuned until next week, I will go through the last five. But I'm here to tell you, you don't want to miss the second part of this. Because it's the second part that goes through the history of where we went wrong from the edict that James speaks, that we need to be involved with the instruction manual every Shabbat, and how it got changed to Sunday, no instruction manual, Scriptures are not the Old Testament anymore, and how all of the Roman theology and the pantheon even crept into our theology and has radically *shifted* the power of God that was supposed to be there in Acts chapter 2. When the Holy Spirit came down, people started speaking in foreign tongues and thousands of people got saved in one day, *where is that power*, ladies and gentlemen? I'm telling you, it's still there. I experience it all the time, those that are close to us experience it. Because the power is found in the Spirit and the truth. But until you go back and discover what the truth is. You'll never be set free from the lie. Which means that you'll always have a jurisdiction of the enemy in your life in some degree. And the truth will be restricted. The power will be restricted, and the Spirit will be restricted in your life.

What I'm all about, ladies and gentlemen, if you are brand new to this channel, it is about taking the ancient pipes that God has given us, that flow from His throne, a pure water that had been cut by the Roman church and ultimately by the enemy himself, and take those pipes that used to be like this, now that are like this, and we're barely getting a few drops, and put those pipes right back together to where the *fullness* of the power of God shows up again. It should not be an anomaly. There should not be a video that goes viral because someone got out of a wheelchair. It should be all the time that God is giving prophetic words, visions, words of knowledge, marriages are healed, kids following after God. Why is it not happening? The Joshua generation has been stolen by the enemy. And I'm telling you it's because of this timeline that we're talking about, what we're going to talk about and finish next week.

So, my friends. Thank you so much for spending your time with me. I am grateful that you guys have taken your time out. Don't forget to please subscribe to this channel and pass this video around. That's the greatest compliment that you could give us *is to do* just that. Share this video. Don't be just a taker, be a giver. Do yourself a favor and partner with us in every way. Please pray for us. The enemy is constantly after us. If you're not giving generously somewhere to some ministry to increase the kingdom of God, would you please consider partnering with us financially. Go to passionfortruth.com and be a part of that exciting wave of taking this message and putting it around the world. We're supporting our 35 pastors in India and orphanage. We are translating these messages into multiple languages all over the world and we need your help to do that.

I'm Jim Staley. I pray that God blesses you, and keeps you, make His face shine upon you, and I pray at the end of your day you will not only have shalom, but you will have the Spirit and the truth, the power of God flowing through your veins. That will heal and touch everything around you. All right, my friends, until next week, I'm Jim Staley and I'll see you in the next video. Thank you, my friends, and have a great day.

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