



Jesus is the greatest leader in world history.

- No human being has had more followers than Jesus.
- No one has had a greater influence on the world for good than Jesus.
- No one has been honored more than Jesus.

We are all leaders. If you want to become a successful leader, you need to learn from the greatest leader in world history.

What was it about Jesus that made Him the greatest leader of all time?

[Jesus was a servant leader.](#)

Jesus was God. He had unlimited power. He had unlimited resources. He had unlimited knowledge.

Instead of using His power, resources, and knowledge to serve Himself, He used these things to serve others.

He emptied Himself to make others successful. He sacrificed Himself to serve the needs of others.

[Jesus was a forgiving leader.](#)

[Jesus was a courageous leader.](#)

[Jesus was a faithful leader.](#)

[Jesus was a compassionate leader.](#)

[Jesus was a truthful leader.](#)

If there is a God who created and designed all things than having wisdom is seeing the world from God's perspective.

Jesus claimed to be God so if He was God, He saw the world from God's perspective.

Having a Christian worldview means that a person has a worldview that is determined by the worldview of Jesus. In other words, having a Christian worldview means how Jesus viewed the world is how you view the world.

The worldview of Jesus includes His view of God, creation, sin, the fall of man, the judgment for sin, the nation of Israel, the need for a messiah, His deity, His mission, and spiritual kingdoms. As Christians we believe that to be wise, we must have the worldview of Jesus.

This morning I want to focus on the worldview of Jesus regarding spiritual kingdoms.

The worldview of Jesus regarding mankind is that there are two spiritual kingdoms in the world. There is the kingdom of God and the kingdom of the devil.

The fact that Jesus believed that God has a kingdom and that Satan has a kingdom is seen in the following story.

Matthew 12:22-30

22 Then one was brought to Him who was demon-possessed, blind and mute; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw.

23 And all the multitudes were amazed and said, "Could this be the Son of David?"

24 Now when the Pharisees heard it they said, "This fellow does not cast out demons except by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons."

25 But Jesus knew their thoughts, and said to them: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand.

26 If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. *How then will his kingdom stand?*

27 And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges.

28 But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely *the kingdom of God has come upon you.*

29 Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will plunder his house.

30 *He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.*
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Based on this story and other scriptures, the worldview of Jesus is that there are two spiritual kingdoms, the kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan, and that all of mankind is in one of these two spiritual kingdoms.

Jesus viewed Himself as a messiah and the only one that could set men free from the Kingdom of Satan to be a part of the Kingdom of God.

Luke 4:18-19

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, *to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery* of sight to the blind, *to set at liberty those who are oppressed;*

19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

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Jesus said that Satan's main strategy was to hold men captive in His kingdom with lies.

John 8:44-47

44 You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.

Jesus said what mankind needed to be freed from Satan's kingdom was the truth.

John 8:31-32

31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed.

32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

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Jesus claimed He was the truth and that He told the truth and that He was the only way to enter God's kingdom.

John 14:6

6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

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It is amazing the power that believing one lie can have over us.

Jesus and His apostles warned the church that believing one lie can give Satan incredible power over us.

1 Peter 5:8

8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

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Believing one lie can give Satan power over our emotions, our attitudes, our motives, our actions, and our words; our destiny; and the way we effect the lives of others!

There are many examples of this in the bible.

- Adam and Eve believed the lie that if they ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, they would be like God and their life would be better.
- Cain believed the lie that God favored Abel over him. He believed the lie that his life would be better without his brother Abel. He also believed he had the right to take his life.
- Noah's son Ham believed the lie that he had the right to expose his father's sin and bring shame to his father.
- Abraham believed the lie that he needed more than one wife to fulfill God's promise to Him.
- King Saul believed the lie that David was his enemy.
- King David believed the lie that he had a right to his neighbor's wife because he was king.
- The nation of Israel believed the lie that they should worship false gods.

- The Jews believed the lie that Jesus was not their messiah.

Believing only one lie can give Satan incredible power over us; our emotions, our attitudes, our motives, our actions, and our words; our destiny; and the way we effect the lives of others.

This means that the most dangerous people in our lives are the people that lie to us.

Proverbs 12:22

22 Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, but those who deal truthfully are His delight.
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Proverbs 6:16-19

16 These six things the Lord hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:

17 A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood,

18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil,

19 A false witness who speaks lies, and one who sows discord among brethren.

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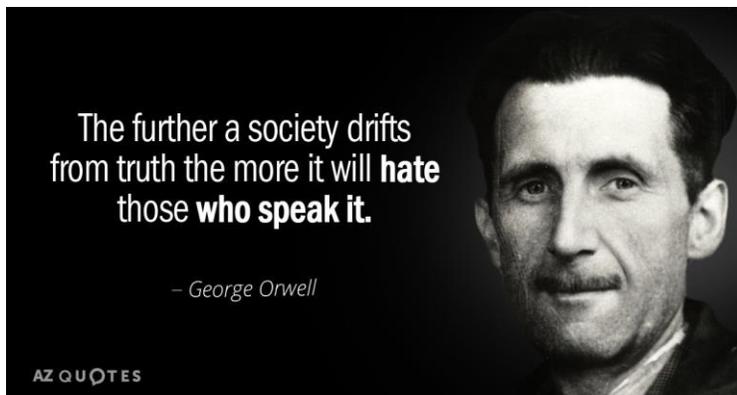
Proverbs 12:18-19

18 There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword, But the tongue of the wise promotes health.

19 The truthful lip shall be established forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

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This also means that the most valuable people in our lives are the people that know the truth and tell us the truth.



Jesus is the greatest leader who ever lived because He is the only leader who always told the truth.

How can you become a truthful leader like Jesus?

1. Salvation

John 1:14

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.

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You will not be a truthful leader of others until you believe that Jesus is God and you follow Him.

If you will repent of your sins and receive Jesus, He will forgive your sins and send His Spirit called the Spirit of Truth to live in you.

John 14:16-18

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever —

17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

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John 16:13-14

13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

14 He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.

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2. Surrender

Jesus hid the truth from people whose hearts were far from God. He told parables but only those people who were honestly willing to surrender to God and follow God could see the truth and understand it.

Jeremiah 29:13

13 And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.

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3. Seek

Finding the truth is not easy. We are surrounded by voices that are lying to us. We have learned many things from our past that are not true.

To find the truth, you must question what you have learned and what you are hearing. You must stop being naïve and seek the truth.

To find the truth, the truth must be important enough to you that you are willing to seek it. God promised that we will find the truth if we will it with our whole heart. Learning the truth is not easy. If finding the truth is not the most important thing in your life, you are not going to make the effort that it takes to find it.

God inspired men to preserve the truth in a book called the bible. The bible is a miracle. It is the most incredible book that has ever been written.

The bible is filled with truths about God, about mankind, about morality, about relationships, about marriage, about raising children, about managing money, about decision making, about life and how to deal with life.

But the way the bible was written keeps people from easily finding the truth. To find the truth you must read it. You must meditate on what you are reading. You must study the bible to interpret it correctly. You must listen to preachers and teachers that have given their lives to the study of the bible. If other things are more important to you than the truth, than you are not going to make the sacrifices it takes to find it.

Isaiah 55:6-9

6 Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near.

7 Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the Lord, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.

8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord.

9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

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4. Surround

Surround yourself with people that have surrendered to the truth and that are seeking the truth.

Salvation is a process of change that begins with your conversion to Christ and continues for the rest of your life. That process is called sanctification. It is a process of growing in love and in faith. It is a process that does not occur in isolation. You must surround yourself with people who are seeking the truth.

Proverbs 13:20

20 He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will be destroyed.

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5. Share

Share the truth. Always speak the truth. Never lie. Do whatever is required to learn the truth before you speak.

Jesus called men to His disciples.

Matthew 4:19

19 Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."

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It is clear in His calling that a disciple of Jesus is someone who makes disciples. If you will surrender yourself to make disciples, as you share with others what you know, you will grow in your knowledge of the truth.