

For This Purpose

John 18:28-40

Pilate, the Roman governor, questioned Jesus about the accusation that Jesus claimed to be the King of the Jews. Jesus replied by stating His purpose for coming into the world. In John's Gospel Jesus described His purpose in different ways, depending on the audience and the context. Here, His emphasis is on truth, a theme that runs throughout the gospel.

And the Word [Jesus] was made 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 1:14)

Jesus Came to Bear Witness to the Truth

He directed our gaze to the Father

He demonstrated He was the Son of God

He testified His Kingdom was far greater than "of this world"

What Is Truth?

This is one of the ultimate questions everyone must ask

We have an inclination to distort, dismiss or disdain truth

There is objective, unchanging and eternal truth

Listen to Jesus' Voice

Who and what we listen to shapes our destiny

Jesus is the embodiment of truth

An evidence of our faith is that we listen to (follow) Jesus