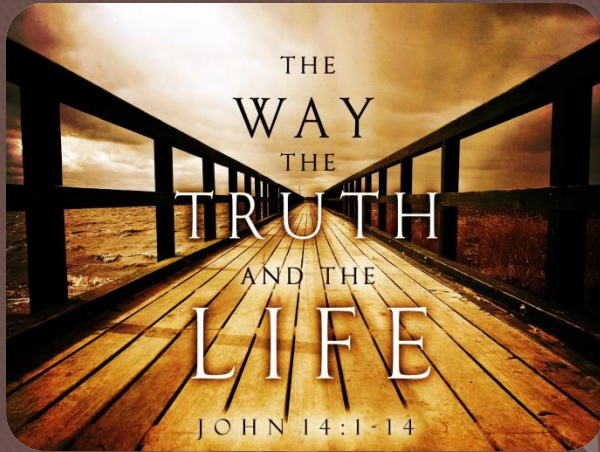




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John 14:6



**The exclusive nature
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Highlights

1. The exclusive language of the Truth
2. The mindset of the world today
3. The danger of Conformity, Compromise, and Cowardice



I. The exclusive language of the Truth ⁽¹⁾

☐ “I am the way, the truth,
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John 8:14

☐ “...for if you do not believe
that I am He, you will die in your
sins.” *John 8:24*

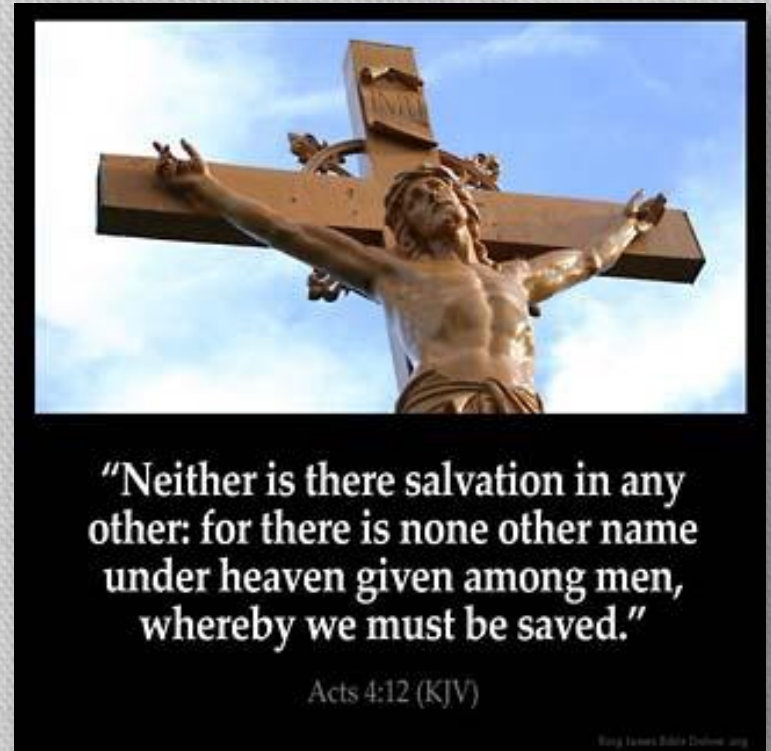


I. The exclusive language of the Truth (2)

- ❑ “...for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved”

Acts 4:12

- ❑ “He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him” *John 3:36*



I. The exclusive language of the Truth (3)

☐ “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” *John 3:3*

☐ “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you”

John 6:53



II. The mindset of the world today ⁽¹⁾

- ❑ To believe in an ultimate truth is to be narrow-minded, judgmental, and lacking compassion!
- ❑ The motto of today is “whatever”. Anything that a person sees as reasonable is truth for him/her and this is what matters!



II. The mindset of the world today (2)

- ❑ Sin is not sin if you can rationalize or justify it as “this is how I was born”!
- ❑ “The admonition of Christ to ‘judge not’ has been employed as a weapon to shame, chastise, and even bully any Christian who does not conform to social norms that accept and promote immorality” --*Eugenia Constantinou – Thinking Orthodox*



II. The mindset of the world today (3)

- ❑ “Anyone who dares to express traditional morals, ethics, and ideals is demonized and denounced as ‘dangerous’ and ‘hateful’

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- ❑ People can be saved with any way they pursue as far as they are “good” and “loving” per the world’s definitions of the terms



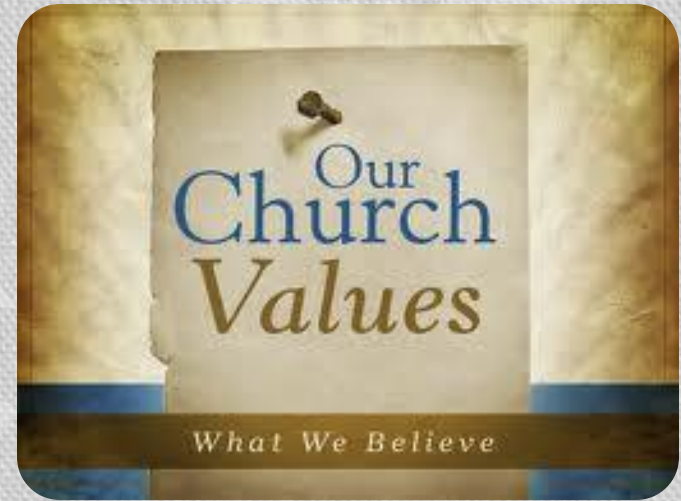
III. The Danger of Conformity, Compromise, and Cowardice



Quotes by: Eugenia Constantinou – Thinking Orthodox

III. The Danger of Conformity, Compromise, and Cowardice ⁽¹⁾

- ❑ “Because of the fear of social disapproval, we are tempted to soften the moral teachings of the Church in the name of ‘Compassion’”
- ❑ “Our duty is not to be popular, not to make concessions, not to compromise, not to prove that we are ‘loving’ or ‘open-minded,’ but to present the option of spiritual transformation”



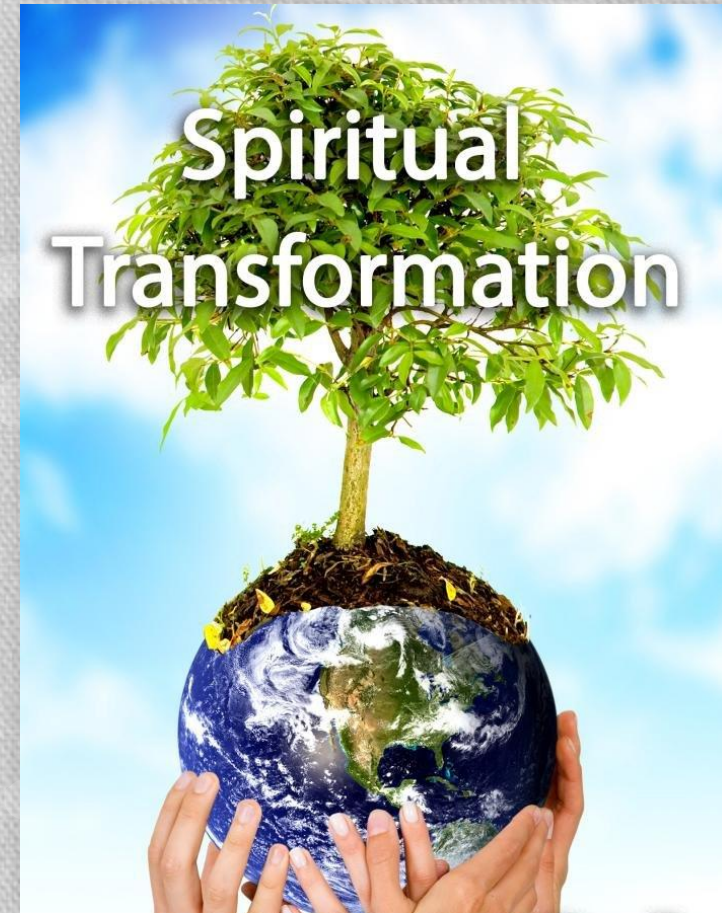
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- ❑ “We are responsible for the ‘innocent blood of simpler souls.’ We will answer for leading others astray because we sought to curry favor with people rather than speak the truth of God”
- ❑ “We can never condone immorality, but this does not mean that we must be preachy, combative, or antagonistic”



III. The Danger of Conformity, Compromise, and Cowardice ⁽³⁾

- ❑ “Compassion is misplaced if it results in the condoning of sin.”
- ❑ “We are not simply to accept that we have been forgiven our failings, sins, and shortcomings. The purpose of the Christian life is transformation by the power of the Holy Spirit, which begins with our baptism”



III. The Danger of Conformity, Compromise, and Cowardice ⁽⁴⁾

❑ “The sweetness of Christ and the transformative power of the Holy Spirit are what the world needs, not philosophical justification for why a sin is not a sin”

