

## Tru-Ish Part 3: Falling In Love With Truth

*(Matthew 21:1-11 NLT/NIV) "As Jesus and the disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to the town of Bethphage on the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent two of them on ahead. "Go into the village over there," he said. "As soon as you enter it, you will see a donkey tied there, with its colt beside it. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone asks what you are doing, just say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will immediately let you take them." This took place to fulfill the prophecy that said, "Tell the people of Jerusalem, 'Look, **your King is coming** to you. He is humble, riding on a donkey— riding on a donkey's colt.'" The two disciples did as Jesus commanded. They brought the donkey and the colt to him and threw their garments over the colt, and he sat on it. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road ahead of him, and others cut [palm] branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Jesus was in the center of the procession, and the people all around him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" The entire city of Jerusalem was in an uproar as he entered. "**Who is this?**" they asked. And the crowds replied, "It's Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."*

**What you believe determines how you behave.**

**Personal conviction is directing you to fulfill God's purpose for your life.**

## Palm Sunday's

*(Matthew 21:12-22 NLT) "Jesus entered the Temple and began to drive out all the people buying and selling animals for sacrifice. He knocked over the tables of the money changers and the chairs of those selling doves. He said to them, "**The Scriptures declare**, 'My Temple will be called a house of prayer,' but you have turned it into a den of thieves!" The blind and the lame came to him in the Temple, and he healed them. The leading priests and the teachers of religious law saw these wonderful miracles and heard even the children in the Temple shouting, "Praise God for the Son of David." But the leaders were indignant. They asked Jesus, "Do you hear what these children are saying?" "Yes," Jesus replied. "**Haven't you ever read the Scriptures?** For they say, 'You have taught children and infants to give you praise.'" Then he returned to Bethany, where he stayed overnight. In the morning, as Jesus was returning to Jerusalem, he was hungry, and he noticed a fig tree beside the road. He went over to see if there were any figs, but there were only leaves. Then he said to it, "May you never bear fruit again!" And immediately the fig tree withered up. The disciples were amazed when they saw this and asked, "How did the fig tree wither so quickly?" Then Jesus told them, "**I tell you the truth**, if you have faith and don't doubt, you can do things like this and much more. You can even say to this mountain, 'May you be lifted up and thrown into the sea,' and it will happen. You can pray for anything, and if you have faith, you will receive it."*

### **1. The Bible is true and what it says about me is true.**

*"He to whom the eternal Word speaks is free from theorizing." - Thomas a Kempas*

### **2. Everything I'm going through will work out for my good in order for God to save me.**

*"He to whom it (the Word) becomes everything, who traces all things to it (the Word) and who sees all things in it, may ease his heart and remain at peace with God." - Thomas a Kempas*

### **3. When in doubt refer to absolute #1 and #2.**

## **Falling in Love With The Truth**

#### **✓ When you love the Bible you're expressing love to God.**

*(Psalm 119:10-11, 20 NIV) "I seek you with all my **heart**; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my **heart** that I might not sin against you... My **soul** is consumed with longing for your laws at all times."*

#### **✓ When you live by the Bible you're expressing love to God.**

*(Psalm 119:30-32 NIV) "I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I have set my heart on your laws. **I hold fast** to your statutes, Lord; do not let me be put to shame. **I run in the path** of your commands, for you have set my heart free."*

#### **✓ When you lead people who are far from God to the Bible you're expressing love to God.**

*(Psalms 119:105 NLT) "Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path."*

*(Matthew 5:14-16 NLT) "You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."*