

Question: John 8:31-32 says, “If you continue in my Word, then you are my disciple indeed; and you shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free.” Is there Truth that is only known to a “disciple” of the Lord? Were the words of Truth he taught his disciples different Truth than the Truth he said they would know if they continued in the Word that he taught them?

Answer: Following are some Scripture references that we will consult to find the answers to these questions. I will use only excerpts from the verses, but will provide the full references.

In Matthew 13:1-23, verse 18 says, “Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.” In Mark 4:1-20, verse 13 says, “And he said unto them, Know ye not this parable? And how then will ye know all parables?”

Luke 8:11 says: “Now the parable is this: The seed is the Word of God.” Matthew 13:37 tells us, “He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man.”

In Matthew 12:33 we are told, “Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit.”

John 1:14 says, “And the Word 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 6:53 tells us, “Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto *you*, **Except** ye *eat* the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in *you*.” John 6:32 says, “Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; **but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.**”

We know that “bread” is made from seed. We also know that bread is a different kind of form than the form of the seed from which it is made. We know that a “seed” (Word) cannot bear fruit of itself; in order for the Word (seed) to bear fruit, it must first be transformed into the form of a body.

In John 15:1-8 (in verse 5), Jesus said, “Ye are the branches.” He also instructed them to eat the bread (Words of Truth) that he gave them and said it would become their own body of Truth. He also said, “The bread I give to you to eat is my flesh -- and it shall become your own flesh and you shall be as I am.”

There can be no fruit without first a seed, then a tree, and then branches on the tree. In John 15:8 Jesus said, “Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; **so shall ye be my disciples.**” Matthew 13:23 tells us, “But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the Word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.”

See Luke 8:9-10. Jesus spoke only in parables, but he told his disciples it was given to them to know the mysteries of the parables -- the condition being that they bear fruit from the Word he gave them.

Isaiah 53:2 says, “For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no **form nor comeliness**; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.” This is the Word in the form of a “seed” that was not fit for men to eat, **except it be made bread.** Only the swine could eat the corn in the form of a seed.

We know that we embody the things we eat -- whether it is natural food or words of Truth. As we partake of the Word of Truth, meditate upon it, and continue to do so, it will produce within our mind **revelation** as the Word is quickened and becomes alive within us. As we do the things that the living Word within us reveals and instructs us to do, we will begin to know Wisdom and thereby become wise.

As we follow the path of Wisdom and Truth ***we will come to the Father, which is Understanding***. It is not the Truth only that makes one free, but rather ***it is the Truth one possesses and understands that holds his freedom***. There is no spiritual Understanding to be found in the “first seed of Truth” which became a flesh body. Of itself, it cannot bear fruit, for it is as a “man alone.” It is the Truth that is found ***in the “body” of the first seed*** wherein one will find the Truth that holds his freedom. The body of the first seed is the flesh of the “woman” wherein is the “egg” or Word of Wisdom. The Truth in the fruit of the woman (Wisdom) holds the Words of eternal Life.

Hebrews 6:1 tells us we must go on to perfection. We must leave behind the first “form” of the Word (the man of flesh) and bring forth a new form from within it. The ***kind and nature*** of a seed (Word) is not known by the tree it produces out of itself, however. The Truth of Life can only be known in the fruit of the ***branch*** that is an extension (increase) ***of the first Word of Truth***. This Truth is the same Truth, but in a ***new form, which is Understanding***. It is not new words, but new revelation.

In the beginning, the first seed of Truth was the Word of Knowledge only, out of which came the Tree of Wisdom -- which produced its branches, out of which came the first fruit (substance) of the Word. Read 1 Corinthians 15:33-58. This is the son of man, who is the first Adam. ***He is also the last Adam, but in another form***. The last harvest (body of Truth) is a quickening Spirit. This is the mystery of the parable of the sower, which is also the mystery of the kingdom of God. Read Mark 4:11.

One who will receive, believe, and follow the leading of the Spirit of God within -- and obey the instructions given through the Word of Truth -- this one shall come to the Father and know the Truth wherein he is made free. The “Truth” one knows ***in the form of a seed only*** has no Life or resemblance of the Truth that he comes to know as he bears and eats the fruit of his own labor. ***The “Truth” of Spirit and Life is the power by which one overcomes the way and the nature of mortal man***.

God gives seed to the sower (man), but he must bear fruit!

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