

**Essentials of Truth**  
**Ephesians 4:17-25 (ESV)**  
**May 21, 24-25, 2014**  
**Randall Tonini, Student Ministries Teaching Pastor**

---

You can't *spea*k the truth until you've been radically changed by the truth.

*"Satan doesn't control us with fang marks on the flesh, but with lies in the heart."* Tim Keller

**Three Essentials on Truth:**

1. The truth about life. *Ephesians 4:17-21*

2. The truth about me. *Ephesians 4:22-24*

*"The Gospel cannot be preached and heard enough, for it cannot be grasped well enough..."*  
Martin Luther

3. The truth changes everything. *Ephesians 4:25*

*"The big problem is not whether the Bible is true. The big problem is whether it is true in you."*  
AW Toser

**Application Steps:**

- Believe that the Gospel is for you.
- Confess often.
- Listen and consider your family's perspective, even if it hurts.
- Actively seek forgiveness.
- Ask for help.

**Five for the Drive**

A family conversation starter for the ride home.

1. What do you tend to depend on more than Jesus?
2. Why is confessing so important? Who is a good example of someone who "*confesses often*"?
3. Is there any feedback that you need to receive from your family?
4. Do you need to actively seek forgiveness from someone? How will you do that this week?
5. Do you have someone speaking truth into your life? If not, who can?

## **Ministry Opportunities**

For more information about these and other events, go to [SavannahChristian.com/Events](http://SavannahChristian.com/Events).

### **Children's Ministry Re-Registration**

#### **Children's Drop Zone lobby**

To move to the next age group in Kidstreet and Elevate for next school year, parents must re-register their children by this Sunday, May 25. Children will move up June 4, 7 and 8.

### **Kidstreet Take It Home Event – My Church**

#### **During services on May 28, May 31, and June 1**

#### **Kidstreet**

Parents of preschoolers moving up to elementary school this fall, come to this event to find out more about Elevate, the children's programming group your child will move up to in June, and to help your child make the transition. After a short orientation session, you and your child will tour the elementary lobby and drop zone, meet the Elevate leaders and attend Elevate large group together.

#### **For LIFE Marriage Conference**

**7 – 9 p.m. Friday, May 30 and 9 a.m. – 12 noon Saturday, May 31**

#### **Worship Center**

Explore God's design for your marriage at this two-day conference with guest speakers Kenny and Shirley Grant. Discover creative ways of staying in step with your spouse throughout your lives and develop an "SOS" plan for when times get tough. Light refreshments will be served each day. Get your \$20 ticket from The Source bookstore. Childcare tickets cost \$10 with a family maximum of \$35.

### **Point University Information Session**

**6 – 7 p.m. Monday, June 2**

#### **Adult Ministry Center across the street**

Looking to start or return to college? Interested in getting a degree from a fully-accredited university that teaches from a Christian worldview? Point University at our Henderson Campus offers degree options in general studies, Christian ministry and human relations. Classes meet one night a week for five weeks. Learn more about Point University's program for adults at this information session or at [Point.edu](http://Point.edu).