Being Christian in a Hostile World Sermon Series

Week Five (10/31/21): Live Not By Lies

Do you sense an antagonism with the culture toward Christianity and objective truth? As a Christ-follower today, it's important to tell and live the truth. And while this might be met with some resistance or pushback, it's necessary that you do so for God, your soul, and the world.

Scripture Text: 2 Peter 3:1-3

Sermon Points:

- 1. When the foundations are shaken, look higher
- 2. When everyone is following the party line, tell and live the truth
- 3. Applications:
 - a. Prioritize prayer
 - b. Know the truth
 - c. Tell the truth
 - d. Suffer loss for the truth
 - e. Love your "enemies"

Discussion Question Options:

- Share about a time you got caught in a lie. Does anyone else have a funny story of getting caught this way?
- Read Psalm 11. Do you tend to look at the condition of the world or at the position of God when you encounter frustration and hardship?
- If you consider your information intake (news, media, music, entertainment, friends, etc.), how is your perspective being shaped? Compare that to the amount of truth you are consuming from your Bible study, prayer, sermons/teaching, worship, fellowship, etc.
- Let's remember the invitation to the HCBC prayer event the evening of November 14th. Let's attempt as a group to increase the rhythms of our prayer lives, individually and together.