

# One Truth Script

**Teacher Instructions:** Print five scripts, one for each character and one for you.

**Characters:** Moriah, Victor, Alyssa, Ben

**Moriah:** There are so many things I don't understand about God.

**Victor:** I know what you mean, Moriah. I've heard so many different things. But everyone CAN'T be right!

**Alyssa:** I know. People don't agree about who God is, who Jesus is, how to get to heaven, and so many other things. I just don't get it!

**Victor:** There's Ben. He knows about God, let's ask him. HEY, BEN! Over here.

*Victor waves Ben over. Ben joins the group.*

**Ben:** Hey, guys. What's going on?

**Moriah:** We have a Bible question for you!

**Alyssa:** Yes, we do. How do you know what is true? Is the Bible true? It seems there are a lot of different truths.

**Ben:** That's a pretty deep subject, isn't it?

**Moriah:** We thought you could tell us! You seem to know about the Bible.

**Victor:** Yeah. Tell us.

**Ben:** OK. First of all, there can only be one truth. You can't make up your own truth about stuff. Think of it this way. If you believe you can fly, and you jump off a building, the truth is you'll fall. You won't fly just because you believe you can.

**Alyssa:** Wow! That's an interesting way to look at it, Ben.

**Moriah:** I never thought of it like that before. Just because I believe something is true, that doesn't necessarily make it true.

**Victor:** But how do we know what is true?

**Ben:** The Bible is the only place we can find truth. It was written by God. And He knows everything! We can trust what He says.

**Alyssa:** Come on. How can you say the Bible is the only source for truth?

**Moriah:** So many people claim that their "holy book" is true. How is the Bible any different?

**Ben:** We could talk all day and I still wouldn't run out of things to tell you about the Bible.

**Victor:** We don't have all day, but try us.

**Alyssa:** Yeah. Just give us a simple answer.

**Ben:** Well first of all, God tells us that the Bible is His Word! And we know God can't lie!

**Victor:** That is a good point.

**Ben:** Also, the New Testament was written by people who knew Jesus. They learned from Him. Many of them were eyewitnesses!

**Alyssa:** You know, I never thought about that. We don't normally doubt anything written by someone who was there. So, the Bible is like a real history book, written by people who were there! People who witnessed the events.

**Ben:** And that is not all! There are also ancient manuscripts.

**Moriah:** Ancient manuscripts? What do you mean?

**Ben:** Manuscripts are hand-written copies of the books of the New Testament. And there are thousands of them. The authors wrote about Jesus on animal skins, papyrus, and other kinds of paper. These manuscripts were hand copied very carefully. They didn't have printing presses back then. And the manuscripts are accurate and reliable—and consistent! And that is amazing since there are thousands of them! The manuscripts tell the same thing—God's plan of redemption through Jesus.

**Alyssa:** How could that be? How could so many different manuscripts be so accurate and consistent?

**Ben:** Because God was the one who inspired all the authors to write what they wrote. And He wants His Word preserved. You know, if God can create the universe, I'm pretty sure He can keep His Word accurate!

**Victor:** Well, it sounds like He has done that—from what you are telling us!

**Ben:** That's right. God knew all the details. Even though there were many writers, we know there is only one book, one Author, one Jesus, and one God.

**Victor:** Wow, Ben, why doesn't everyone believe like you do?

**Alyssa:** Yeah. If the Bible is true, I would think everyone would want to believe it.

**Moriah:** But they don't. Most people laugh at what the Bible says. I'm not even sure I believe it!

**Ben:** The Bible says that people don't believe God's Word because their hearts don't want to believe in the one true God. If they believed in God, that would mean admitting that God created them. And that He is the ruler of their life and the universe.

**Victor:** So, people don't like that idea?

**Ben:** No. Because they don't want to humble themselves, admit they sin, and admit they need God.

**Alyssa:** What does sin have to do with it? I thought we just had to be pretty good to get to heaven. You know, do more good things than bad! That is what I have heard.

**Ben:** A lot of people think that. But it's not true. The Bible says that we could never work our way into heaven. Because we are all sinners—none of us is good enough. God is holy, and He hates all sin. Even our best works aren't good enough to please God.

**Moriah:** This is when I start wondering if this can be true. It doesn't seem right.

**Victor:** Yeah. What can we do? It sounds like it is hopeless!

**Ben:** Well, the answer is in the Bible! It tells us the truth about ALL of this stuff. And it tells us about Jesus. And what He did for us!

**Moriah:** Do you mean dying on the Cross?

**Ben:** Yes! Jesus came to earth and was obedient to His Father. He obeyed His Father perfectly. He did not sin. And He took the punishment for sin when He died on the Cross. Because Jesus came and died on the Cross, we have a way to get to heaven.

**Alyssa:** Even though we still sin? How does that work?

**Ben:** Jesus died for sinners. And the Bible makes it clear that we are all sinners! But the gospel tells us that we need to repent—in other words be genuinely sorry to God, our Creator, for our sins. Turn away from our sins and turn to Jesus! He is God. And He died so we could be forgiven.

**Victor:** But what if we don't believe? What if we aren't that sorry for our sins?

**Ben:** The truth is, if we don't believe in Jesus and accept the truth about Him and what He did for us, we will not be forgiven and we will be separated from God for eternity. Jesus is the only way. There is only one truth and one God, and that truth is found in the Bible!

**Moriah:** Wow! Thanks Ben. I appreciate you talking to us.

**Alyssa:** This is serious! I have some things to think about! Thanks, Ben!

**Ben:** You know, a lot of people say they don't believe the Bible. Or they are confused about it. But if we ask them, we might find out they haven't even tried to read it. So I'd like to challenge all of you to start reading your Bible . . . just a little every day. I think you will begin to learn a lot. It is a good book—and the only truth.