## WHAT IS THE TRUTH?



## So, Which story is telling the 'truth'? ... What is 'truth' anyway?

There are at least three versions of the 'truth': my version, your version, and the 'truth'. Can you explain this quote?

'Historical 'truth' is told by the victors'. What does this mean?

The Miners' Strike newspaper articles....where is the 'truth'? https://hatfulofhistory.files.wordpress.com/2014/10/bxtiizzcmaawqci\_large.png

https://cedarlounge.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/cover-of-the-miner.png

For many years we read about the history of the settlers of North America ONLY from the settlers' perspective, NOT from the viewpoint of the Native Americans.

African Americans have only recently been given public credit for their part in fighting in The American War of Independence.

When we watch the news or read newspapers, what kind of 'truth' are we being 'fed'?

'Fake news?'

http://edition.cnn.com/2017/11/12/politics/james-clapper-john-brennan-trump-russia-cnntv/index. html

Many would say that the Biblical authors were creative, artistic, imaginative storytellers, NOT reporters. They did not seek to record events. They were not eye-witnesses.

"...poetic stories like theirs [are] full of symbolism and rich with meaning, [they] can take us far nearer 'truth'... than any mechanical reporting of events...and are of all kinds of story, the most significant." (Dennis, T. *The Christmas Stories*, p. 6)

## Can you explain what he means by this quote?

So when we use the word 'truth', we mean literal or historical 'truth', we probably won't find too much of that kind in these narratives. However, if we stop asking 'is it true?' and start asking 'why did the author include it?' and 'what was 'true' for him/her?', we may come closer to finding some very important 'truths'.