## A Single Point of Truth

I came across this title when scanning the news and it immediately caught my eyes. And I thought, "We believers, we Jesus followers, believe in a single point of truth!" And so, I proceeded to read the article. I have copied a small excerpt from it below:

It can be daunting to consider the thought process of a global conglomerate like Facebook and Google. But it's vital to contemplate their effect on our democracy.

First, Facebook's increasing censorship starts with its executives wanting to bring about what they believe to be a positive societal change without regard for the enormous damage it causes to freedom and liberty.

Second, the continuous hewing to shape a new republic starts secretly and subtly. While most people do not find it objectionable that Facebook's executives have strong political leanings, they are concerned that Facebook's approach to convincing the public of their opinions is to censor dissenting views.

We have learned that the search behemoth, Google, seeks to shape the narrative and establish a "single point of truth" across all its platforms. This type of control of free speech only occurs in communist countries, which should be overwhelmingly alarming.

The health of our society depends on our ability to dissent and to question. Unfortunately, the Big Tech giants manipulate opinions in the news and social media threads while censoring those who deviate from their chosen narrative and "single point of truth."

For us Christians, there is a single point of truth. We do not force it upon others, but instead offer it up as a gift: the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world – to bear witness to the truth (John 18:37)."

"What is Truth?" Pontius Pilate replied.

Jesus tells us, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me (John 14:6)." And He prays for us that His words will be heard by us and will guide us into all truth.

Jesus, the Word, is really the only truth that we can be sure of. We confess that the Holy Scriptures are the only rule and norm for faith and life.

"See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men...rather than according to Christ" (Col. 2:8). Based on these principles, we should conform our thoughts, words, deeds and our very lives to the Word of God, our single point of Truth.

God the Father Almighty is the maker of the heavens and the earth and all things visible and invisible which include the laws of nature to which we are subject, but He is not (Genesis 1). We are His creatures, created in His image and the crown of His creation, and therefore human life from conception to death is sacred.

God created us male and female. He said to go forth and multiply and fill the earth and have dominion over it (Genesis 1:26). Thus, families were created and they reflected His trinitarian nature (different persons and roles but equal value, united into one) and became His first unit of society and its governance. And government was ordained by God that His Truth might more easily be proclaimed through the reward of good conduct and the restraint of evil (Romans 13:3-4).

But we used our free will to despise and disobey our Creator rather than love and obey Him. Therefore, we became separated from God and His Truth and subject to death. Yet God still loved His creation and He shows it in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us, paying our debt of death (Romans 5:8). And He rose again defeating death for us that we might have life eternal.

This is our single point of Truth, the Church's one foundation, Jesus Christ our Lord (1 Corinthians 3:11).