



Biblical Character

Bacon begins this essay by quoting Pilate who questions what's truth. Bacon says that truth may be a belief that affixes the mind and hinders discretion in thinking and acting. The Greek philosophers who questioned the chances of human knowledge are not any longer there, but there are still some people that question an equivalent. Men undergo various difficulties to find out the reality but once he does so it imposes a restriction on his thought and he wants to revert to lies. Bacon says that the love may be a corrupt yet natural tendency in the citizenry. Just like the Greek philosopher Lucian, Bacon wonders what makes a person lovelier for it doesn't give delight because it does in poetry or doesn't allow profit as in business.

Truth is like daylight but it throws only the maximum amount light on the fallacies of the planet as candlelight. Truth is sort of a pearl which shows best in daylight but it can't be sort of a diamond or carbuncle which will shine within the dark. The meaning is that truth is unable to point out itself within the face of a lie even as a pearl can't be seen within the dark.

A mixture of roll in the hay truth adds pleasure. Here Bacon speaks about imagination. If a person hangs on to absolutely the truth and doesn't allow fancy, hopes or maybe doubt, he is going to be a melancholy person. Poetry has often been accused of being false because it is crammed with imagination. But it's only a shadow of a lie, a mirrored image of reality which in itself may be a reflection of the perfect. But it's not the lie that passes over the mind but the lie that deeply sinks into the mind that hurts.

Despite man's efforts and judgments it's the only truth that will truly define itself. the search for truth, the love of truth and therefore the belief is that the only discretion of attribute. Bacon compares truth to day light and brings within the biblical example of god's creation of sunshine. On a primary day God created light and on the sixth day he created man whom he gifted the "light of reason". Bacon quotes a poet who said "no pleasure is like the standing upon the vantage ground of Truth, and to ascertain the errors and wanderingsin the vale below." Bacon adds that such a person would look upon the "errors and wanderings" pityingly and not proudly. If a man's mind can "move in charity, rest in providence, and switch upon the poles of truth" he will find heaven on earth.

Truth is of the utmost importance in civil life and business. a touch of lie mixed with the reality is like making an alloy of copper and gold or silver. It makes it easier to figure with these metals but at an equivalent time makes it impure. Bacon compares falsehood to a snake crawling on its belly instead of walking on its feet. There's no activity more shameful than being false and treacherous. During this context Bacon quotes Montaigne who said that a liar may be a man who is brave towards God and a coward towards men. Bacon emphasizes the wickedness of falsehood and treachery by saying that these are the qualities that will be the explanation for calling upon the judgment of God upon mankind.