Truth Today

Truth was having a tough time, constantly challenged by new Alternate Truths. Those Truths were dominated by conspiracy theories about politicians and their societies health and the climate. They presented war as blowing up buildings, the destruction of objects. Truth was pleased when a video showing two men killed on a speedboat horrified people—the Alternate Truths never again showed such videos showing people injured by war. Truth disliked such denial. Alternate Truths said God was on each nation's side. (Truth knew there was no God—it was at Alpha Centauri, having given up on humans.) They provided facts disputing 'fake news' but their 'facts' were distorted or even fabricated nonfacts, leaving Truth aghast.

Although traditionally neutral, Truth called a conference with the Alternate Truths.

173 showed up.

Truth was comfortable with everyone–the Alternates, with no one. Equitable discourse was impossible. Some Election Truths believed all elections were corrupt except those won by parties it supported. Some Climate Truths touted fossil fuels were reasonable and carbon dioxide was healthy. Some Health Truths believed vaccines were evil and polio and measles normal.

In all its eons, Truth had faced Alternate Truths, but never so irrational, never so self-serving. Truth made a speech about Truth. At first they listened, then their eyes went blank, then they laughed.

Truth considered this a truthful reaction.

It retreated to its cave in Hawaii, where it signed autographs and listened to waves breaking on the shore, waiting for rationality to regain prominence. It wanted a far better end to this tale but there was nothing else Truth could do.

It asked God how It was doing with Alpha Centauri. God replied, come and take a look, they need you.

God never asked about humanity.

Truth left Earth for Alpha Centauri.

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