

ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH

Exodus 20:16

Specific application: Referring to legal matters.

Undergirding principle: God demands honesty.

Desperate, deceptive, salesman, secretary,
student, polite, silent, and preacher.

Question: Where did lying come from?

Answer: Father of lies (Satan).

There is no truth in him. When he lies he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. John 8:44

1. He orchestrated the fall of man. Gen. 3:1-7

2. He endorses the folly of deception.

Woe to you who call evil good and good evil. Isaiah 5:20

- a. All roads lead to Heaven. f. _____
- b. Truth is relative. g. _____
- c. Life is supposed to be fair. h. _____
- d. People can't change. i. _____
- e. Life begins at birth. j. _____

Why does God take lying so seriously?

1. It contradicts God's nature.

I am the way and the truth and the life. John 14:6

2. It undermines all relationships. Eph. 4:25

3. It is almost always a cover-up for some other sin.

Gen. 4:1-9

4. It grows progressively worse. I Tim. 4:2

Where do we go from here?

1. Know that God is serious.

Cf. Acts 5, Revelation 21:8

2. Fill your heart with truth. Phil. 4:8

3. Pray every day. I Thess. 5:17, Eph. 6:10-18

4. Consider who you represent.

For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

II Cor. 4:5-6

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