

EXODUS 20:16 - DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

DO NOT LIE - (SERMON MP3)

What are the driving motivations that prompt lying in our lives? In other words, why do we lie? Look at the following examples of lying and identify possible motivation(s).

Exaggeration

False flattery

Verbal maneuvers

Half-truths

Cheating

Making up excuses

Misrepresentations

Other

Why should we tell the truth? Look up the following verses and describe some of the rationale for honesty. Can you share any practical or personal reasons we should tell the truth?

● Col. 3:8-10

● Rev. 21:27

● Eph. 4:25

● John 8:31-32



Why is it that the worst possible lie we can tell is a lie about God?

● How are idolaters guilty of lying about God (Isaiah 44:20)?

● How are false teachers or preachers guilty of lying about God (Jeremiah 14:14)?

● How are you guilty of lying about God at times?



Read (Acts 4:32-5:11). What made Ananias and Sapphira's sin so severe? Why do you think lying was punished with death in this instance?

● How do you think this situation affected the church?

● What should we learn from this story in Scripture?

● Describe how the Lord feels about lying (Prov. 6:19; 12:22).



No one starts out as a truth teller. We lie from a very young age displaying the fact that we are liars (Ps. 58:3). Look at (Rom. 3:13-14) and notice how it describes our sinful tongues.

● In (Matt. 15:18-19) Jesus says that what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the _____. So according to (Jer. 17:9) we lie with our tongues because our hearts are _____.

● What hope is there for liars like us? Advice like, "Just stop lying" doesn't really work to solve our deep-rooted problem. If there is no change then we have no hope according to (Rev. 22:15; 21:27).



