



**Sermon Outline**  
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## Lying

**Proverbs 12:22**

**Proverbs 18:21** – The tongue has the power of life and death...

**Matthew 12:36** - One day we will give account for every careless word we speak

**Definition of Lying:** Any \_\_\_\_\_ in word, act, attitude or silence. Not telling the whole truth or intent to \_\_\_\_\_.

### Origin of lying

**John 16:13** – But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth.

**Genesis 3:1**- Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, "You must not eat from any tree in the garden?"

**Lying leads us away from \_\_\_\_\_.** **When we lie, we act like satan. When we speak truthfully, we act like \_\_\_\_\_.**

### God's view on Lying

**Proverbs 12:22** - The Lord **detests** lying lips, but he delights in people who are trustworthy.

**Proverbs 6:16-19** - There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are **detestable** to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, false witness who pours out lies and a person who stirs up conflict in the community.

**Moses:** Don't spread \_\_\_\_\_ reports: **Exodus 23:1-3**

**Paul:** Don't let \_\_\_\_\_ talk come out: **Eph 4:29-32**

**\*We \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit when we lie.**

**James:** Don't let the tongue be used for \_\_\_\_\_: **James 3:9-12**

**When we lie we reveal our \_\_\_\_\_.**

### Patriarchs of the Bible who lied

**Abram:** lied about his wife being his sister  
\_\_\_\_\_:

**David:** lied to cover up an affair

**How might I be living a \_\_\_\_\_?**

### How to avoid the lie \_\_\_\_\_

**Be \_\_\_\_\_ to Speak:** speak less and \_\_\_\_\_ before you speak

**Psalms 141:3** - Set a guard over my mouth, Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips.

**Proverbs 18:13** - To answer before listening-that is folly and shame. Ask yourself: *Is this truthful and \_\_\_\_\_?*

\_\_\_\_\_: Ask God for \_\_\_\_\_

**Proverbs 28:13** - Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

**Open Heart \_\_\_\_\_:** new heart

**Psalms 51:10** - Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

*If you know you are Beloved of God, you can live with an enormous amount of success and an enormous amount of failure without losing your identity, because your identity is that you are the Beloved. - Henri Nouwen*

**Let's be known as truth-tellers, not \_\_\_\_\_-tellers!**

**John 8:32** -The truth will set you free. **Will you \_\_\_\_\_ God?**

**One take-a-way from today's message: \_\_\_\_\_**