



Liar! Liar!

Exodus 20:16

Introduction

- We are living in an environment surrounded by words
- Words are vital but all too frequently the words are not true
- Liar! Liar!
- Psalms 116:11, Proverbs 12:22
- Lies are not simply wrong; lies hurt people and it has a price tag on them where someone has to pay for it.

I. The Meaning Of This Commandment

- A. You shall not intentionally speak that which is untrue
 - Lev. 19:11-12, Col. 3:9-10 – do not lie
- B. You shall not speak evil against another
 - Exo. 20:16 – “false” mean untrue
 - Deut. 5 – “false” means insincere, empty or worthless
 - James 4:11 – do not slander, speak against or judge

II. The Different Ways Of Lying

A. Speaking falsehood directly

1. Perjury – Exo.23:2,3, Deut.19:18-19
2. Slander – Lev. 19:16,
3. Gossip or rumor – Exo.23:1
4. Flattery – Ps.12:1- 2, Job 32:21-22
5. False teaching – I Tim. 4:1-2
6. Careless lies – Prov. 26:18-19
7. White lies – I Pet.2:1, 2:22



B. Deception

1. Misrepresenting the truth
 - Matt.26:59-61
2. Living a hypocritical life - Matt. 15:7-8

C. Mixing truth with lies

- Exaggerate or twist the truth
- 2 Cor. 4:2

III. Reasons Why People Lie

- A. To protect self
 - ISam.15:13-15
- B. To gain an advantage
 - Prov. 21:28
- C. To impress others
 - Jude 16
- D. To harm others
 - Gen. 39:11-20



IV. Results Of Lying

- A. Harm others – Prov. 25:18
- B. Destroys trust – Prov. 14:5
- C. Wrecks relationships – Prov. 16:28,
Eph. 4:25
- D. Ruins your reputation – Prov. 10:9
- E. Breaks your fellowship with God
Ps. 101:7
- F. Brings God's judgment – Prov. 19:9, Rev.
21:8, 22:15

V. The Source Of Lying

A. Satan - Gen. 3:4, John 8:44

B. Human heart - Jer. 17:9, Matt.15:19
Acts 5:3

C. Power of the tongue - James 3:8

VI. The Victory Over Lying

- Eph. 4:15 – “speaking the truth in love”

T - Is it true?

H - Will it help?

I - Is it inspiring?

N - Is it necessary?

K - Is it kind?

Conclusion

- If you are guilty, make it right with the Lord
- If you have been hurt, bring your injury to Jesus and let him heal you
- Every child need to search his or her heart and determine for whose glory we are using our tongue.