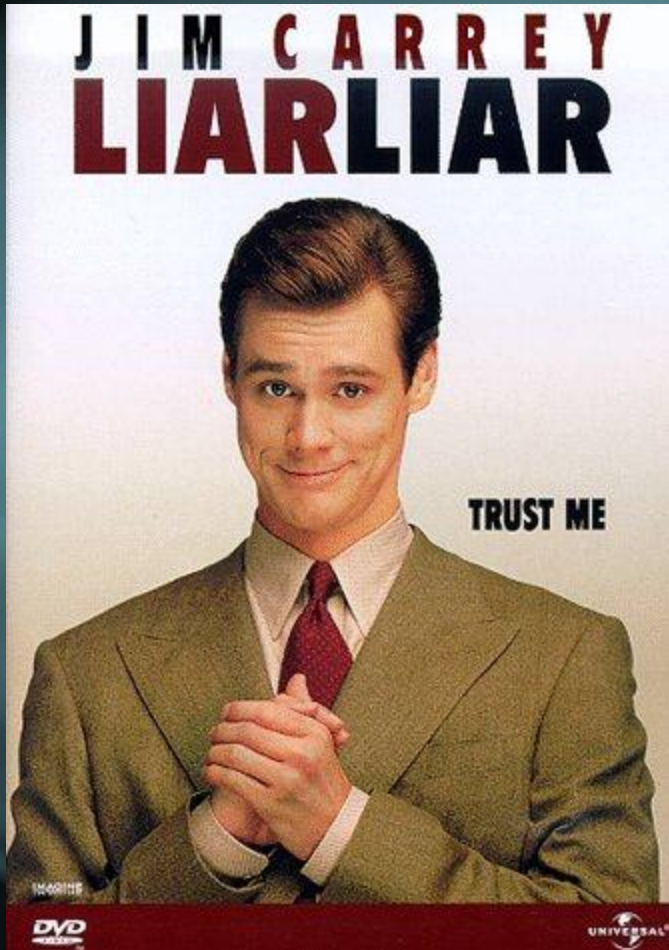


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What is Lying?

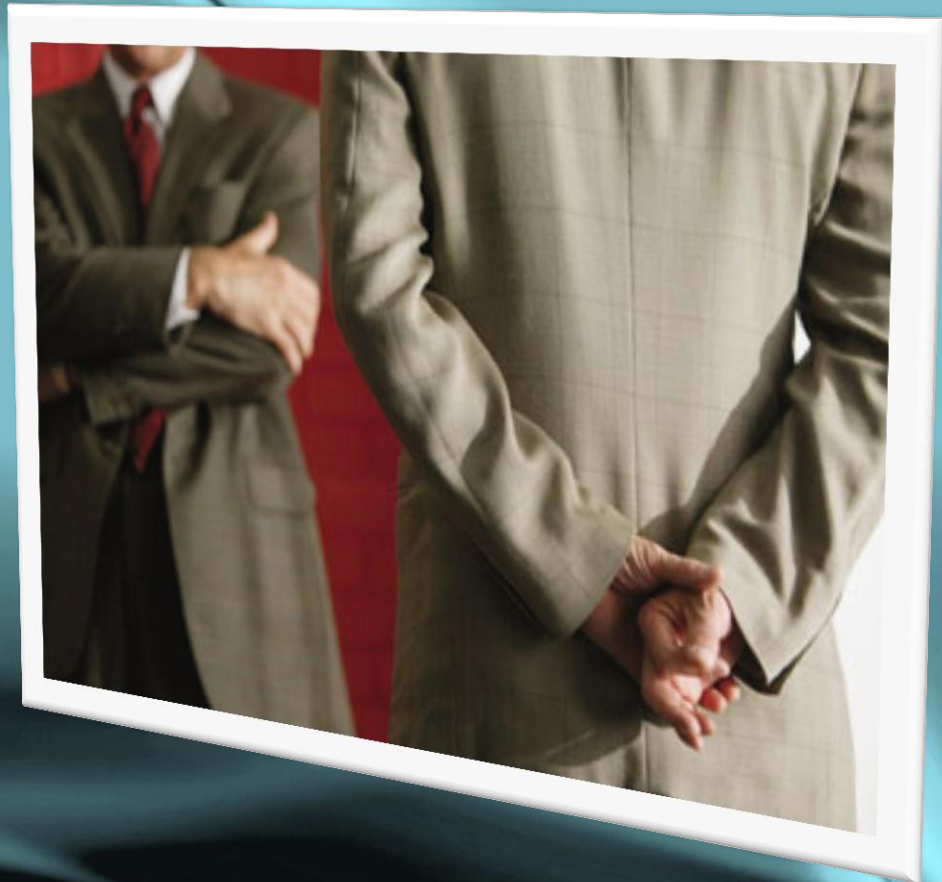


- ❖ "Conscious & intentional falsehood" (Thayer, 676).
- ❖ "To deceive, or attempt to deceive, by a lie" (Moulton, 442)
- ❖ That spoken or conveyed which is contrary to the truth of God.

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- ❖ 91% of Americans lie regularly
- ❖ 63% men & 52% woman have lied to protect themselves
- ❖ 40% said they had lied on job applications.



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Kinds of Liars . . .

- ❖ **Jesting Liars –**
- ❖ **Cowardly Liars –**
- ❖ **Malicious Liars –**
- ❖ **Commercial Liars –**
- ❖ **Social Liars –**
- ❖ **Religious Liars –**



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- ✓ Commercial Liars –
- ✓ Social Liars –
- ✓ Religious Liars –

Speak in a way
that *People trust*
what you say!
(Matt. 5:33; Jas.
5:12)



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♦ **Crafted wording to mislead**

- ✓ Actual word or wording is true.
- ✓ Know - conclusion you are creating is not true.
- ✓ Misrepresent some price or item
- ✓ Reporting of event or conversation



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 - ✓ Work for the pay
 - ✓ Price you give
 - ✓ Overstate the produce or service



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- ♦ **“Spin” Using facts to cover-up mistakes / sins**



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How God Views Lying

Proverbs 6:16-19 (NKJV)

¹⁶ These six *things* the Lord hates,
Yes, seven *are* an abomination to
Him: ¹⁷ A proud look, A lying
tongue, Hands that shed innocent
blood, ¹⁸ A heart that devises
wicked plans, Feet that are swift in
running to evil, ¹⁹ A false witness
who speaks lies, And one who sows
discord among brethren.



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Why Do People Lie?



Out of selfishness

- ❖ **Make themselves look good**
– Acts 5:1-9; 1 Tim 6:5
- ❖ **Get out of trouble** – Gen 20:2
- ❖ **Because we fear men** - Matt. 26:35, 69-74
- ❖ **Hurt another** – Col. 3:8,9; Gen 39:13-16; Matt 26:59-61

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Acts 5:1-10 (NKJV)

¹ But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession. ² And he kept back *part* of the proceeds, his wife also being aware *of it*, and brought a certain part and laid *it* at the apostles' feet. ³ But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back *part* of the price of the land for yourself?"

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Acts 5:1-10 (NKJV)

⁴ While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God." ⁵ Then Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and breathed his last. So great fear came upon all those who heard these things.

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Acts 5:1-10 (NKJV)

⁶ And the young men arose and wrapped him up, carried *him* out, and buried *him*. ⁷ Now it was about three hours later when his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. ⁸ And Peter answered her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much?" She said, "Yes, for so much."

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Acts 5:1-10 (NKJV)

⁹Then Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband *are* at the door, and they will carry you out." ¹⁰Then immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last. And the young men came in and found her dead, and carrying *her* out, buried *her* by her husband.

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“thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God” (v.4)



Lying attacks God

- ◆ **God is the knower of all truth**
(1 Jn. 3:20)
- ◆ **God is truth** (Ti. 1:2; Heb. 6:18;
Pr. 6:16-19)
- ◆ **God wants his children to walk
in truth** (Eph. 5:1; 3 Jn 1:4)

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“why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie?” (v.3)

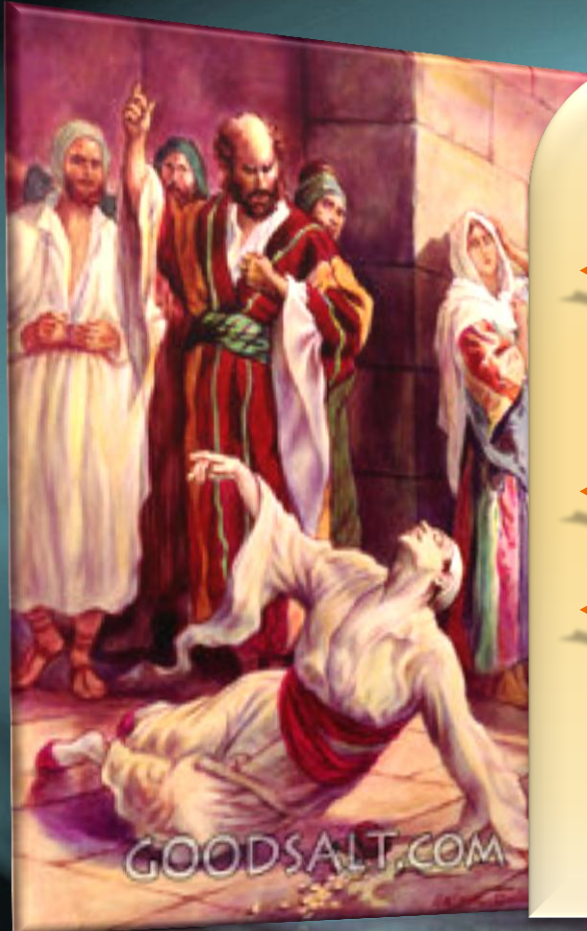


Lying endorses Satan

- ◆ **Satan is the father of all lies - (Jn. 8:44)**
- ◆ **Satan has been telling lies since the beginning - (Gen. 3)**
- ◆ **Satan tempts us to lie, so that we'll be his children - (Ac 13:10)**

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"agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord" (v.9)

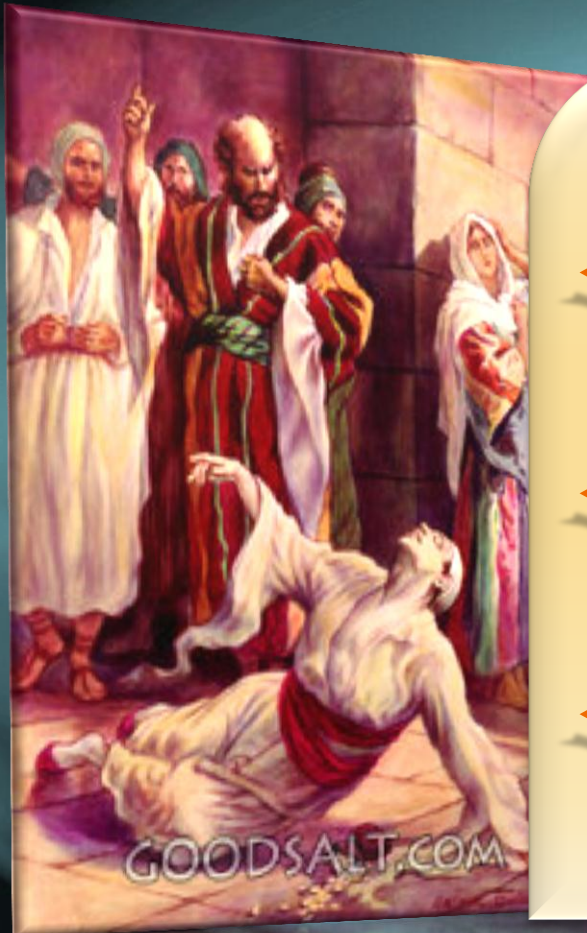


Lying Is Cancerous

- ◆ Others become entangled in it too - (Eph. 4:25)
- ◆ Habit-forming - (2 Ki. 5:20-27)
- ◆ Leads to other sins —
"Gateway sin" - (Mt. 26:69-75)

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“fell down and gave up the ghost” (v.5, 10)

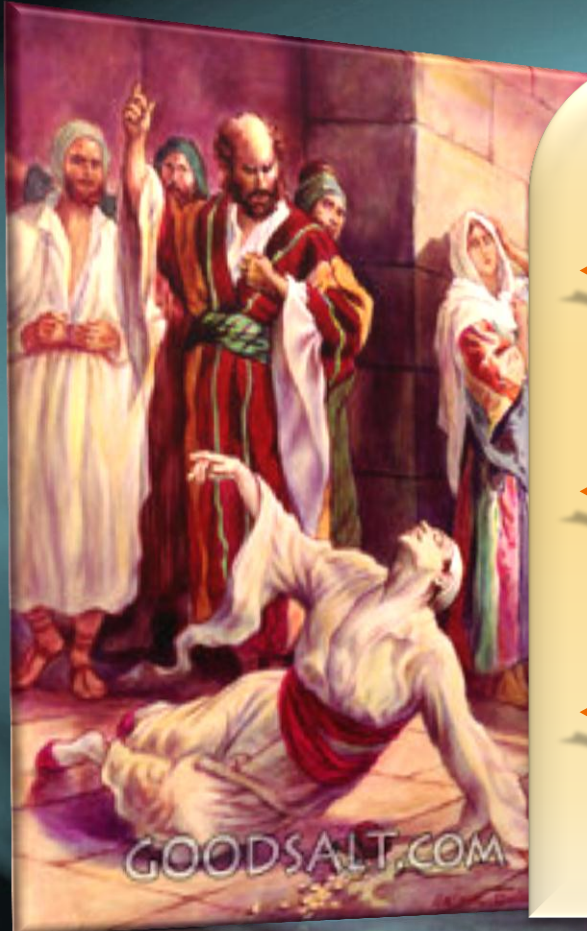


Lying Leads To Death

- ◆ Lying separates us from God - (Is. 59:2-3)
- ◆ The punishment for lying is inescapable - (Pr. 19:5)
- ◆ A lake of fire awaits all liars - (Rev. 21:8)

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Peter exposed the lie - (v.3-4, 8-9)

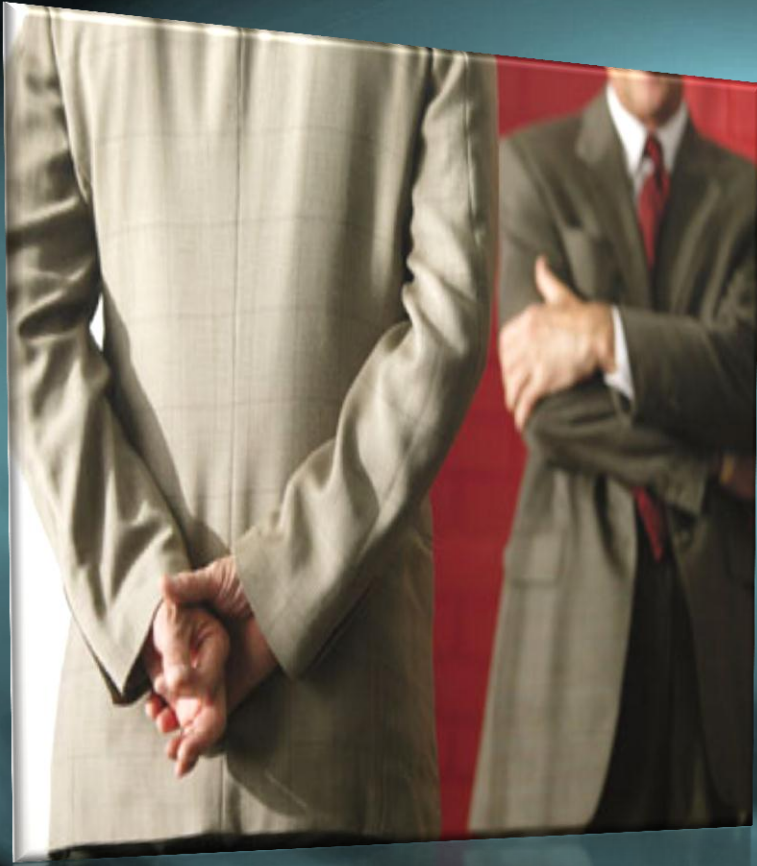


Truth Always Prevails

- ◆ Truth stands the test of time - (Pr. 12:19)
- ◆ All lies will eventually be exposed - (Lk. 12:2-3)
- ◆ Honesty is the best policy - (Eph. 4:15, 22-25)

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Lying Is Destructive!!!



- ◆ Destroys Reputations -
- ◆ It Demolishes Families & Friendships -
- ◆ It Disrupts Any Working Environment -
- ◆ Will Condemn Our Soul

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God Hates Lying



Proverbs 12:22 (NKJV)

²² Lying lips *are* an abomination to the LORD, But those who deal truthfully *are* His delight.

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- ◆ **All Lying Forbidden – Col 3:9**
- ◆ **The Destiny of ALL Liars –**
 - ❖ Shall be detected – Prov. 19:5
 - ❖ Excluded from heaven – Rev 21:27; 22:15;
 - ❖ Cast Into Hell – Rev 21:8

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As God Cannot Lie

Neither should those who are his children - Eph 5:1

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