The Truth About Lies

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"A lie has a short life, but truth lives on forever"

- Proverbs 12:19 GNT

Introduction



Proverbs 6:16-19; Proverbs 12:22 (GNT) "God hates lies and liars"



The Definitions of "Lies" and "A Liar"



- A dictionary has described a lie to be a false statement made
 DELIBERATELY IN ORDER TO DECEIVE; an INTENTIONAL UNTRUTH...
- A liar is someone who KNOWS THE TRUTH but deliberately presents the opposite of the truth in order to deceive. That means, every liar knows the truth.



Take some time and think about your life; then ask yourself this question: AMIA LIAR?

Paths where lies emerge



These are avenues through which lies find expression.

- Through our words
- Through our writings
- Through our online activities and interactions
- Through bearing false witness
- Through flattery
- Using false age, false certificates, etc.

CLASS ACTIVITY 2

Have you been involved or are you currently involved in any of these avenues? Please repent and stop it before it is too late. God still forgives sins – 1 John 1:9.

1. A solid relationship exists between "lies" and "untimely death" — Psalm 55:23, Psalm 63:11 and Psalm 34:12.13

"If lies have a short life according to Proverbs 12:19, what legal or moral justification do liars have to expect to live long?"

Case Study: The couple who died 3 hours apart for lying (Ananias and Sapphira - Acts 5:1-11).

Other scriptures describing the fate of all liars abound. But **ULTIMATELY**, the eternal destination of all liars is the Lake of Fire, which is the Second Death that no one ever resurrects from.

READ Revelation 21:8 GNT.

The Fate of all Liars



CLASS ACTIVITY 3

From Revelation 12:12, why is the devil very angry? How did he know that he has a short time? And in what ways can we benefit from our knowledge of the devil as the father of lies according to John 8:44?



Becoming Free From All Lies



Know, Embrace, and Practice the Truth. Period!

How?

Accept Jesus Christ (the Truth) – John 14:6, John 8:32,36

Hide God's Word (the truth) in Your Heart – John 17:17, Psalm 119:11

Allow the Holy Spirit (the Spirit of truth) to Always Help You – John 14:16-17, John 16:13, 1 Samuel 16:1-3

Conclusion of Study



- ❖ You can never keep the devil away from your life if you still tell lies. Lies belong to him and he comes uninvited into the life and affairs of every liar. Be warned!
- The reason the Bible says truth lives on forever in Proverbs 12:19 is because the Source of all truths (GOD) lives on forever (Revelation 4:9-10).
- The reason the Bible also says lies have a short life is because the source of all lies (the devil) has a short time (Revelation 12:12).

What is the implication of these?

If you live by the truth, you too shall live forever into eternity like God. But if you choose to continue in your lies, you too have a short time like the father of lies. The choice is yours.

Prayers



- Make a promise to the Lord that beginning from today, you will live according to His Word. Then, ask the Holy Spirit to help you get rid of every tendency to lie and to help you say the truth at all times. It is very possible to live without lying – Hebrews 4:15 and 1 Corinthians 10:13 are great anchors for this submission.
- Pray Psalm 141:3 "Set a guard over my mouth, LORD; keep watch over the door of my lips."
- Give thanks to God for answers to your prayers.

Questions and Answers

Any Questions or Brief Comments?

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