

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, **a false witness who pours out lies** and a person who stirs up conflict in the community.

Proverbs 6:16-19



Why Two Hates?

Would it not be enough to say God hates lying?

“You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.”

Exodus 20:16

“Do not steal. Do not lie. Do not deceive one another. Do not swear falsely by my name and so profane the name of your God. I am the Lord.”

Leviticus 19:11



False Witness

The second statement points to a key word: witness

Defined: a person who sees an event, typically a crime or accident, take place.

You saw it and you refuse to tell the truth about what you saw.

You did not see it; however, you lie and say you did

The Third Way?

The idea of being a witness is important to the community of Christ

It's important to remember while God does hate all lying, lies that impact our ability to be a creditable witness have special emphasis

A Basic Lying Lesson

What is a Lie?

Defined: marked by or containing untrue statements

White Lie

Fibbing

Leading Me On

Bending
the Truth

Putting on A
False Front

Stretching
the Truth

Blowing Smoke

Half Truths

Lying

A Lie is a Lie

All Lies have the same origin

You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 8:44

A Lie is a Lie

He reminds us that all the way back at the garden is started with a lie

“You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

Satan's Will

Genesis 3:4-5

A Lie is a Lie

Lies do not come from truth (1 John 2:21)

Jesus is truth (John 14:6)

Lies are in the moment, truth is forever (Proverbs 12:19)



A Lying Lifestyle

We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. Whoever says, “I know him,” but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.

1 John 2:3-5

A Lying Lifestyle

Not all lies come from your mouth

Notice in Proverbs 6:19 it says pours out

Other translations use the words; speaketh, declares and breathes out

There is still an emphasis on what is said

I can tell lies with more than my mouth

A Lying Lifestyle

John tells us lies can be told with our action

Whoever says, “I know him,” but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person

John 1:24

If your mouth says one thing

But you live a lifestyle that does not match

You are a Liar

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You are lying to others

But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them.

1 John 2:5

Actions speak louder than words

If they are truthful their entire life must speak their faith (James 2:18)

You are a Liar

You are lying to yourself

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

James 1:22-24

You are a Liar

You are lying to yourself

This is probably the scariest lying moment

You convince yourself that everything is fine

You quote a scripture, point to a religious ritual to create your assurance

Jesus said that's not enough, you must live a life of following (Matthew 16:24)

Obedience

Community Impact

**The Lying Tongue breaks trust
and ruins relationships**

A Lying Lifestyle

And so, it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God.

1 Corinthians 2:1

A Lying Lifestyle

For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed.

Hebrews 4:2

A Lying Lifestyle

When you proclaim or witness out Jesus it all about believability

A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.

Proverbs 22:1

Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

1 Peter 2:12

Embrace Truth

Therefore, each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body.

Ephesians 4:25

