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## You Shall Not Lie - Exodus 20:16

### MAIN THING

God expects honesty from His followers

### SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20:16, Psalm 109:6-15, Luke 12:3

### ICEBREAKER

When you hear the word, "lie" what does it mean to you? How would you define a lie?

### OPENING THOUGHT

The truth is central to everything we believe. Without truth, what is there? Nobody wants to follow something that they can't buy into fully. John 8:32 says, "...the truth will set you free." Today, we will explore the reason why God says in His 9th commandment, "You shall not lie", and how truth profoundly impacts the life of the Christian.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What was one thing that stood out to you from this weekend's message?
2. Did you ever tell a lie as a kid and get caught? What did you lie about and what happened to you as a result of it?
3. We identified five types of lies this weekend: the blatant lie, the white lie, the hurtful lie, the prayerful lie, and the half-truth. Which one do you think is the most common and why do we allow it so much in our lives?
4. Mark Twain once said, "Whoever is a liar better have a great memory." What do you suppose that means?

### LIFE APPLICATION

5. Read Psalm 109:6-15. This gut-level honest prayer of King David could hardly be described as loving or grace-filled. However, it was what King David wanted to tell God. It was exactly what was on his mind, and King David knew that God knew what he was thinking anyway. So he decided to be real with God; not whitewashing anything. How are you at gut-level honest prayers with God? Has anyone ever told you they are okay?

### CHALLENGE

Read Luke 12:3. How can you apply this Scripture this week, and how does this Scripture motivate you to more honesty?