

"LIE NOT TO ONE ANOTHER" (v9)

(Colossians 3:8-15)

"Lie" - untruth; deception; prevaricate; equivocate; fabricate; fib.

Bible warnings: (Psalm 63:11 and 109:2; Proverbs 4:24 and 6:16-19)

Our court system: "Do you promise to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?"

1. DO NOT MAKE A LIE:

(Revelation 21:8 and 22:15)

How lies get started: inadequately informed; careless listening;
jumped-at-conclusions; afraid to admit guilt; exaggeration.

"If your lips would keep from slips, 5 things observe with care: of whom you speak, to whom you speak, and how, and when, and where."

(Ephesians 4:29) "Let no corrupt speech proceed out of your mouth ... "

2. DO NOT TAKE A LIE

(Mark 4:23-24) "Take heed what you hear"

So "take heed" when someone says: "Have you heard?" "I was told ... "
"Do you think this could be true?" "This isn't gossip, but ... "
"Can you keep a secret?" "Don't repeat this ... "

3. DO NOT REPEAT A LIE

(Leviticus 19:16) "You shall not go about as a talebearer ... "

(Proverbs 11:13) "A talebearer reveals secrets ... "

(Proverbs 17:9) "... but he who repeats a matter separates friends."

(Matthew 12:36-37) "idle words"

4. DO NOT LOVE A LIE: **Revelation 22:15)**

CLOSE: (Psalm 19:14) "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer."