

## THE 9th COMMANDMENT

Exodus 20:16

“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

### God Hates it!

Proverbs 6:16-19

These six *things* the Lord hates,  
Yes, seven *are* an abomination to <sup>[a]</sup>Him:

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A proud look,  
A lying tongue,  
Hands that shed innocent blood,

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A heart that devises wicked plans,  
Feet that are swift in running to evil,

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A false witness *who* speaks lies,  
And one who sows discord among brethren.

Proverbs 12:22

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

Proverbs 13:5

A righteous *man* hates lying,  
But a wicked *man* is loathsome and comes to shame.

Psalms 119:163

I hate and abhor lying,  
*But* I love Your law.

## Sources:

Proverbs 26:28

A lying tongue **hates** *those who are* crushed by it,  
And a flattering mouth works ruin.

John 8:44

You are of *your* father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *resources*, for he is a liar and the father of it.

Matthew 15:18-19

But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man. **19** For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies.

## Bad Results for Lying

Proverbs 19:9

A false witness will not go unpunished,  
And *he who* speaks lies shall perish.

Proverbs 21:6

Getting treasures by a lying tongue  
*Is* the fleeting fantasy of those who seek death.

Proverbs 26:18-19

Like a madman who throws firebrands, arrows, and death,  
**19** *Is* the man *who* deceives his neighbor,  
And says, "I was only joking!"

Luke 8:17

For nothing is secret that will not be revealed, nor *anything* hidden that will not be known and come to light.

Revelation 21:8

But the cowardly, [a]unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”

## Good Results for Honesty

Proverbs 12:19

The truthful lip shall be established forever,  
But a lying tongue *is* but for a moment.

Proverbs 14:25

A true witness [a]delivers souls,  
But a deceitful *witness* speaks lies.

Psalms 34:12-14

Who *is* the man *who* desires life,  
And loves *many* days, that he may see good?

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Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.

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Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it.

## New Testament Verses

Ephesians 4:25

Therefore, putting away lying, “*Let each one of you* speak truth with his neighbor,” for we are members of one another.

Colossians 3:9

Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds,