

## White Lies!

If we claim to be without sin, we **deceive ourselves** and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. - **1 John 1:8-9 NIV**

- GOD \_\_\_\_\_ LYING!

“The **LORD detests lying lips**, but **he delights in those who tell the truth.**” - **Proverbs 12:22 NLT**

Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, <sup>22</sup>throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. <sup>23</sup>Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. <sup>24</sup>Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy. <sup>25</sup>So **stop telling lies**. Let us **tell our neighbors the truth**, for we are all parts of the same body. - **Ephesians 4:21-25 NLT**

“[Satan] 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 NIV**

### SATAN’S PLAN

1. He Gets You To Lie To \_\_\_\_\_ !

**Friend deceives friend**, and **no one speaks the truth.** - **Jeremiah 9:5 NIV**

2. He Gets You To Lie To \_\_\_\_\_ !

“I weep with sorrow; encourage me by your word. <sup>29</sup>**Keep me from lying to myself**; give me the privilege of knowing your instructions.” - **Psalms 119:28-29 NLT**

3. He Gets You To \_\_\_\_\_ A Lie!

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

- **1 John 2:4 NIV**

- Why Do You Lie?

### THE ROOT REASON WE LIE

- We Don’t Completely \_\_\_\_\_ God.

Jesus said, “If you **hold to my teaching**, you are really my disciples. Then you will **know the truth**, and **the truth will set you free.**” - **John 8:31-32 NIV**

### GOD’S PLAN

A. We CONFESS To God For \_\_\_\_\_ .

If we **confess our sins**, he is faithful and just and will **forgive us our sins** and **purify us from all unrighteousness.**

- **1 John 1:9 NIV**

B. We CONFESS To People For \_\_\_\_\_ .

Therefore **confess your sins to each other** and pray for each other **so that you may be healed.** - **James 5:16 NIV**

### DISCUSSION GUIDE

- Share about a time you got caught in a lie. What happened? How did you feel?
- Who do you lie most often to: others or yourself? Explain?

- What are the most typical reasons you're tempted to lie?
- What do you think might be the cause behind your lies?
- What do you need to get honest about? Share what you can with your Connect Group or with a few people you're closest to?
- What did God speak to you during this message? Discuss it.
- How can you begin to pray this week about any Sinful Habit?