

“LYING, OUR ‘GO-TO’ REMEDY”

Acts 5:12-42

I. INTRODUCTION:

- A. The damage inflicted by the fibs we tell:
 - 1. The learned behavior of lying: (*Pro. 6:16, 19; 26:28; Col. 3:9; Eph. 4:25a*)
 - 2. The source and the consequences of lying: (*Jn. 8:44; Acts 5:3*)
 - 3. The local church leadership that addressed lying: (*Acts 5*)
- B. The impact of truthfulness on the local church: *Acts 5:11-16*
- C. The response of the Holy Spirit to truthfulness: *Acts 5:12-14*
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

II. FOUR CONTRASTING RESPONSES TO THE TRUTH:

- A. The council attacked the truth: *vv. 17-28*
 - 1.
 - 2.
- B. The apostles affirmed the truth: *vv. 29-32*
 - 1.
 - 2.
- C. Gamaliel avoided the truth: *vv. 33-39*
 - 1. Classified Jesus with two rebels:
 - 2. Will go away with time:
 - 3. Failure means it wasn't of God:
 - 4. Fed his weakness of neutrality:
- D. The local church announced the truth: *vv. 40-42*
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.

III. PRINCIPLES TO PERSONALLY APPLY:

(Together becoming “people of the Word” in principle AND in practice)

- A.
- B.
- C.