

My Big Fat Mouth – Part #3 – Lying Ray Hammond – February 18, 2018

Memory Verse:

Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them. – Ephesians 4:29

The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in those who tell the truth. – Proverbs 12:22

✓ God hates lying because it creates <u>SEPARATION</u>

in our relationships.

He [the devil] 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

THE DEVIL'S PLAN

- Get you to <u>LIE</u>.
- Get you to <u>BELIEVE</u> a lie.
- Get you to <u>LIVE</u> a lie.

GOD'S PLAN

1) <u>TELL</u> the truth.

Jesus: "All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one. – Matthew 5:37

Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. – James 5:16

2) <u>LIVE</u> the truth.

If someone claims, "I know God," but doesn't obey God's commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth. -1 John 2:4

Throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. ²³ Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. ²⁴ Put on your new nature, created to be like God – truly righteous and holy. – Ephesians 4:22-24

3) KNOW the truth.

Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." – John 14:6

Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. 32 And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." – John 8:31-32