

## ***Don't Tell Lies Part 1***

***“11 Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another.”  
(Leviticus 19:11 KJV)***

In this message we will discuss one command of God and this command is, ***“neither lie one to another.”*** Many they say we cannot live without telling lies. And others will say how we will not tell lies. Others will say; if we will not tell lies they will not believe, therefore in order to live we have to tell lies. But that is neither the truth nor the way that God Almighty wants us to live for Him.

The first lie that mentioned in the Bible was told by Satan when he lied to the woman. As the woman told Satan what God had commanded them to do, ***“3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.” (Genesis 3:3-5 KJV)*** The answer of Satan to the woman was this: ***“Ye shall not surely die:”*** And that was the first lie that mentioned in the Bible where Satan gave false sense of security when he assured the woman that she can break the command of God and she can still live. **Living a life of lies will be in the form of living in disobedience to God's command and believing that you will not die spiritually.** When Adam and Eve disobeyed God and trusted the lies of Satan, that they can still live after breaking the Word of God, they died spiritually. **Many they break the Word of God but they should understand that they will have no life if they will not repent and correct their relationship with God.** The Lord God sent His Son the Lord Jesus Christ to save us from sin and death. Jesus died on the cross for our sins to give us eternal life. We can come back to God if we repent from our sins and live in obedience to God's commands. **But if you come to God and you still lives in sin that is of no help to you because you are still spiritually dead and that what had happened to Adam and Eve when they sinned against God and did not repent.**

***“1 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. 5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. 6 Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. 7 Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. 8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. 9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. 10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.” (1 John 3:4-10 KJV)***

Lies are from Satan and that what is mentioned in the Bible about Satan. Jesus told about Satan the following when He confronted the Jews who had believed on Him: ***“44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.” (John 8:44 KJV)*** Therefore lies are the language of Satan and when we speak and entertain lies then we are entertaining Satan's work and got involved with him. The danger of that is clear; when you

tell lies you think that you are helping yourself but to the contrary the lies that you are telling will recoil back on you and it will harm you. As people tell lies they may get some temporary relief and some little gain but later on the bad effects of their lies shall be reflected badly on their lives and shall cause them troubles.

Why people tell lies and why they use lies? Everyone has his own reason and his own stand, but what we can say here that there is nothing justifiable about lies because they are devil's work and sure will bring bad consequences on those who use them. We will go through some Scriptures that speak about people they used lies to live in life and we will see what their reason was and what were the consequences of what they did?

***“10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land. 11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon: 12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive. 13 Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.” (Genesis 12:10-13)*** Now Abram faced famine and he thought by going to Egypt and by telling lies his life will be better. He asked his wife to tell lies that she is his sister because he was thinking that he will be treated well and his life will be protected. Now here we found that Abram did not trust God but he trusted the lie that he asked his wife to tell. **Lack of trust in God and full relying on Him make the people think to lie. People they think if they will tell lies they will be treated well. But who will treat us well other than the Lord God Almighty who will also save us and preserve our lives as we put our full trust on Him alone. Therefore we need to refrain from all kinds of lies so God will be there for us and will help us in our lives, protect us and provide all our needs.**

Let us read here what were the consequences of Abram lies on his life and the life of his family: ***“14 And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair. 15 The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. 16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.” (Genesis 12:14-16 KJV)*** Abram was really treated well but there was a prize that he paid, his wife. If you are going to tell lies waiting that you will be treated well, and you might be treated well, but put in your mind that there is a prize that you need to pay and you will pay it.

***“17 And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife. 18 And Pharaoh called Abram and said, What is this that thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife? 19 Why saidst thou, She is my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way. 20 And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.” (Genesis 12:17-20 KJV)*** God was merciful to Abram and Sarai, and He made a way for them to get delivered from that trap that they put themselves in. God inflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plague to restrain him from touching Sarah and perhaps made him realize that he needed to return Sarai to Abram her husband. Pharaoh called Abram and rebuked him because of what he did and he deserved such. Therefore God made a way for Abram and Sarai to repent from that sin and got delivered from Pharaoh and

the work of devil in that place. In the same way God will deal with us and rebuke us for our lies in order to cleanse us and bring us back to him.

We don't need to lie to receive our daily provision and to be protected or to get delivered from trials. God's grace is great and His provision for us will come to us continually as long as we trust Him and rely on His Word and promises in the Bible. *"20 For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us."* (2 Corinthians 1:20 KJV) *"9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. 10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God."* (1 Corinthians 2:9-10 KJV)

Lies will not help us in our daily living but trusting in God and His Word will help us to have what we need as we walk faithfully with Him. *"31 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? 32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"* (Romans 8:31-32 KJV) The Lord God sent His Son the Lord Jesus Christ who died on the cross for our sins, who was buried and rose from the dead on the third day to give us eternal life. By Jesus' death on the cross the way became open for us to reach Heaven and to spend eternity with God. As Jesus enters our lives we live in the truth and we trust God for everything and we obey Him and His Word knowing that He will fulfill all what He promised to us. Therefore we need to live in the truth and not to tell lies because lies have bad consequences and finally will not help us but will put us into troubles. Let us now continue to study the life of Abraham and Sarah.

*"1 And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar. 2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah."* (Genesis 20:1-2 KJV) Again by the wrong information that Abraham had provided it caused Abimelech king of Gerar to do something wrong and sinned by taking Sarah from her husband Abraham. Abraham did not heed the previous experience but he repeated it again. You need to heed and take warning that your lies will not help you but only will put you in troubles.

You may provide wrong information by telling lies; for you it might be a small lie, or a simple lie and for some they might call it a white lie, but this little lie after all is a lie and it will invite Satan to come to kill, steal and destroy. In fact you don't need to tell lies and cause yourself and others to fall into embarrassing conditions. Let us continue read the story: *"3 But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou art but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife. 4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, LORD, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation? 5 Said he not unto me, She is my sister? and she, even she herself said, He is my brother: in the integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this. 6 And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her. 7 Now therefore restore the man his wife; for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are thine."* (Genesis 20:3-7 KJV) We found here that God again interfered to deliver Sarah and Abraham and the rest of the people in the story from the work of devil that was initiated by what we call

today a little, small or white lie. *"8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid. 9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done. 10 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?"* (Genesis 20:8-10 KJV) Again Abraham was rebuked for the lie that he said that caused much troubles to the people around him. Therefore be aware that your lies will cause troubles not only for you but as well as for the people who are around you.

Now we will see what was the reason for Abraham to tell a lie as we can read here: *"11 And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God is not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake. 12 And yet indeed she is my sister; she is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife. 13 And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This is thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, He is my brother."* (Genesis 20:11-13 KJV) Abraham was afraid to be killed because of his wife, but he did not trust God to help Him and protect him, but he trusted and relied on the lie that he said as a source of protection. But God truly helped him and showed him clearly that He can be truly trusted for everything, and He can be the source of protection and deliverance. It is truly that Sarah was a sister for him from another mother but the thing here that Abraham told lie trusting that this is the way to be protected. God's provision for us will not come by telling lies but it will come when we trust Him and rely on His Word and promises as provision for our lives. You may tell what externally looks like truth but it is a lie that you are telling, and is your trust on the thing that you had said and not relying on God Almighty and His promises.

Let us read the rest of the story and found out how God end up this embarrassing situation that Abraham put himself in, and how God taught him a lesson that he does not need to tell lies to protect and to provide for himself: *"14 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife. 15 And Abimelech said, Behold, my land is before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee. 16 And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand pieces of silver: behold, he is to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that are with thee, and with all other: thus she was reprov'd. 17 So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children. 18 For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife."* (Genesis 20:14-18 KJV)

There is a profound need to know the truth. Some they say there is no absolute truth, and some they say that the absolute still is not the whole truth. But these are what we call the lie of Satan which does its best to cover and hide the truth from reaching the people and be set free.

The question here is, 'Is there a truth?' The answer is 'Yes'. The question, 'Where we found the truth?' The answer is 'We found it in the Bible'. First, in the Word of God; Jesus said in John 17:17, *"Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."* Second, in The Lord Jesus Christ for He is the truth as He declared, *"6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* (John 14:6) Third, in The Holy Spirit who is the truth as Jesus declared, *"12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye*

cannot bear them now. 13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.” (John 16:12-13 KJV) **The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of truth and He will guide us into all the truth.**

God the Father is the truth and there is no other gods beside Him, “6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. 7 And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them. 8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.” (Isaiah 44:6-8 KJV)

Idol worship is a lie of the devil and its deception to confuse people and bring them away from God their Creator. We will search the Scripture and what it says about idol worship. “9 They that make a graven image are all of them vanity; and their delectable things shall not profit; and they are their own witnesses; they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed. 10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image that is profitable for nothing? 11 Behold, all his fellows shall be ashamed: and the workmen, they are of men: let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; yet they shall fear, and they shall be ashamed together. 12 The smith with the tongs both worketh in the coals, and fashioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the strength of his arms: yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no water, and is faint. 13 The carpenter stretcheth out his rule; he marketh it out with a line; he fitteth it with planes, and he marketh it out with the compass, and maketh it after the figure of a man, according to the beauty of a man; that it may remain in the house. 14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak, which he strengtheneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he planteth an ash, and the rain doth nourish it. 15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth it, and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth it; he maketh it a graven image, and falleth down thereto. 16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast, and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth himself, and saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire: 17 And the residue thereof he maketh a god, even his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth it, and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me; for thou art my god. 18 They have not known nor understood: for he hath shut their eyes, that they cannot see; and their hearts, that they cannot understand. 19 And none considereth in his heart, neither is there knowledge nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten it: and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination? shall I fall down to the stock of a tree? 20 He feedeth on ashes: a deceived heart hath turned him aside, that he cannot deliver his soul, nor say, Is there not a lie in my right hand?” (Isaiah 44:9-20 KJV) **Clearly the Bible says here that the idol in the hand of man who made it is a lie. Idol worship is a lie.**

We can also read about the worthless practice of idol worship in Jeremiah, “1 Hear ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel: 2 Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them. 3 For the customs of the people are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe. 4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. 5 They are upright

as the palm tree, but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither also is it in them to do good. 6 Forasmuch as there is none like unto thee, O LORD; thou art great, and thy name is great in might. 7 Who would not fear thee, O King of nations? for to thee doth it appertain: forasmuch as among all the wise men of the nations, and in all their kingdoms, there is none like unto thee. 8 But they are altogether brutish and foolish: the stock is a doctrine of vanities. 9 Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and gold from Uphaz, the work of the workman, and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple is their clothing: they are all the work of cunning men. 10 But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.” (Jeremiah 10:1-10 KJV) **If people they are worshipping idols and living their lives according to human religious teachings and man practices they are living and practicing lies and Satan’s wickedness.**

“11 Thus shall ye say unto them, The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens. 12 He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion.” (Jeremiah 10:11-12 KJV) “3 But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased. 4 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men’s hands. 5 They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not: 6 They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not: 7 They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat. 8 They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that trusteth in them.” (Psalm 115:3-8 KJV) **\* Idols are not only useless but they are harmful as well and those made them and follow these lies they will end in death and destruction. Why people make idols and worship them and follow the ways of man and human teachings and traditions? Because they don’t have trust in the Lord and in His Son Jesus and in His Word that is in the Bible. \* False religions and false teachings pervert the truth and give false promises and faked values that suit people’s lust and to satisfy their craving sinful nature in order to persuade them to leave the true God and follow after deception and lies.**

**My Dear and Beloved:** “8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:8-9 KJV) **God is making a way for you through this message. If you had lied and live in lies then this is the time for you to repent, renounce your lies and got delivered from devil and all its evil power and come back to God.**

“7 Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God. 8 They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright. 9 Save, LORD: let the king hear us when we call.” (Psalm 20:7-9 KJV) **We need to tell always the truth, because we believe that to put our full trust on God and His Word is the truth.**

**We need to trust Him and trust His Word and promises. He is our shield, our refuge and our help in times of need. He is our Creator and He is the only one who can help us. Come now to God, repent of all your lies and repent of your idol worship, and start to trust Him and to trust His Word and promises. Let us pray ...**



**My prayer:** *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins, who was buried and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for your Word that showed me the dangers and the bad effects of lies. Lord thank you for all the corrections, the rebukes and the admonishments we receive in this message.*

*Come now to God and confess and renounce all your sins. Confess and renounce your lies, your fear of man, your lack of trust in God. Confess your idol worship and renounce all your old, traditional and religious practices that contradict the Word of God. Confess and renounce your lust, your sexual immoralities and the rest of the works of the flesh. Confess and renounce your worldliness and your love for material things. Confess and renounce your yoke with non believers, and in bondage with the Media, News and games. Confess and renounce your lack of reading of God's Word in your Bible and your lack of prayers. Lord forgive me, I repent of the following sins \_\_\_\_\_.*

*Lord I repent from the following lies \_\_\_\_\_ and from lack of trust in you. Lord build me up once again with your Word and your promises and deliver me and the people with me as you delivered Abraham and his family from the trap of telling and trusting lies. Lord I put my full trust in you that you will be the one to protect me, spare my life, treat me well and provide all my needs, Lord I commit myself into your hand, that I will move away from all idols and human practices and the devil's teachings. Lord I will follow you and have full trust in your Word and all your promises, this all I ask and pray in Jesus name Amen.*

*Lord thank you for my Brothers and Sisters who repented of their sins, and who responded to the teaching of your Word in this message and forsaken all their lies. Lord continue to cleanse them from their sins and lead them to live according to your will and plans. Lord protect them from the devil and its schemes and lies. Lord fill them with the Holy Spirit and use them to serve you and make them good example to others to follow you.*

*Lord, bless us as your church. Lord we commit ourselves to live in obedience to your Word that we received in this message. Lord protect us and guide us to go forward in life and ministry trusting you fully, taking the right decision that goes along your will and plan for us. Lord we ask you to refill us with the Holy Spirit and give us the spiritual gifts that we need to go on and evangelize, and make new disciples and train new workers to go and plant more Bible studies and congregations for the church. Lord fulfill the vision of the church, 'Multiplication in peace with implementing the whole will of God.' Lord bless us, enlarge our territory, let your hand be with us and free us from harm so that we will not feel pain. May the grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all in Jesus name, Amen.*

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