

# ***“The Sin Of Lying”***

Lesson Text: **Revelation 21:8.**

## **I. The Definition of Lying.**

- A.** A false statement, or action, especially one made with the intent to deceive.
- B.** Anything that gives or is meant to give a false impression.
- C.** Two Kinds of Lies:
  - 1. Bold face, Outright Lies Without a Mixture of Truth.
  - 2. Half-Truths— A Mixture of Truth and Falsehoods. (White Lies)
  - 3. Gossip and Flattery.
  - 4. False Teaching— “Babies are born in sin, Baptism is an outward sign...”

## **II. Why Do People Resort To Lying?**

- 1. To gain an advantage From Someone- **Jude 16.**
- 2. To Avoid Embarrassment, Shame, or Punishment.
- 3. To Cause Someone Else’s Trouble.
- 4. To Maintain Privacy.
- 5. The Thrill of It! (Vice or Vanity)
- 6. Lack of Love of the Truth- **2 Thessalonians 2:10-12.**
- 7. Tempted By The Devil To Lie- **James 1:14-15; John 8:44.**

## **III. Examples Of Lying In The Bible.**

- The Devil- **Genesis 3:4.**
- Abraham- **Genesis 12:11-20.**
- Sarah- **Genesis 18:13-15.**
- Issac- **Genesis 26:6-11.**
- Jacob- **Genesis 27:14-19.**
- The Sons of Jacob- **Genesis 37:31-35.**
- Potiphar’s Wife- **Genesis 39:7-21.**
- Samson- **Judges 16:13.**
- King Saul Lies To David- **1 Samuel 18:17-19.**
- The Old Prophet- **1 Kings 13:18.**
- The False Prophets- **Jeremiah 14:14; Isaiah 30:8-10.**
- Gehazi- **2 Kings 5:25-27.**
- False Testimony at Jesus’ Trial- **Matthew 26:59-61.**
- The Romans Soldiers- **Matthew 28:11-15.**
- Ananias and Sapphira- **Acts 5:1-10.**
- False Teachers- **1 Timothy 4:1-3.**
- Cretians- **Titus 1:9-13.**
- False Apostles- **Revelation 2:1-2.**

## **IV. Some Bible Wisdom On Lying.**

- **Psalm 40:4; Psalm 62:4; Proverbs 6:19; 14:25; Ezekiel 13:22; Ephesians 4:25.**

## **V. Why Honesty Is The Best Policy.**

- Lying Hurts Us More Than It Helps- **Proverbs 19:5/9.**
- Lying Destroys Our Character and Reputation- **Proverbs 22:1; 14:5; 1 Timothy 4:12.**
- We Do Not Want God Against Us- **Jeremiah 23:32.**
- We Want To Be Saved- **Revelation 21:8; 21:22-27.**