

THE DEVIL IS A LIAR

I. The devil is a liar

A. John 8:44

B. We see his lying nature in several appearances

1. In the Garden; In the temptation of Jesus; in the Early Church
2. In his last appearances in the Last Days/antichrist

II. We need honesty and for the lies to stop

A. Honesty is serious in God's eyes: 9th & 5th Commandments

B. Honesty is the basis of trust in all relationships

III. Personal responsibility toward lies

A. Eph. 4:15, 25; Col. 3:9

B. Lying can become an easy habit; a trap;

C. Always tell the truth & you never have to remember what you said

EIGHT GREAT REASONS TO TELL THE TRUTH

Telling the truth:

1. Lets everyone know what really happened (Less chance of misunderstandings, confusion, or conflict).
2. Protects innocent people from being blamed or punished.
3. Allows everyone to learn from what happened.
4. Usually get in less trouble telling the truth than lying & getting caught.
5. Other people trust you more when you tell the truth.
6. You don't have to tell more lies to keep your story straight.
7. You gain a reputation for being truthful. (A trait most people value).
8. Helps you feel secure and peaceful inside.