LIARS

Psalm. 116:11

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INTRODUCTION

- 1. David was a little hasty, but no one has a monopoly on this commodity.
- 2. Paul said that the Cretians were especially noted for this quality Tit. 1:12.
- 3. A man can lock against a thief this is not true with the Liar.
- **4.** The subject of Lying is not a pleasing one, but it is a Bible subject 2 Tim. 4:2; Acts 20:27.
- I. THE ORIGIN OF LIES
 - a. The Devil is the "Father" of them John 8:44.
 - **b.** Examples of his lies:
 - i. In deceiving Eve Gen. 3: 4 5.
 - ii. Expressing doubt of Christ's divinity Matt. 4:3.
- II. KINDS OF LIARS Rev. 21:8
 - a. COMMON LIARS Psa. 50:19
 - i. Lie for the purpose of deceiving; exaggerate or manufacture.
 - ii. Example: Old Prophet of Bethel I Kings. 13: 11 22.
 - **b.** JESTING LIARS Prov. 26: 18 19
 - i. When men hurt their fellow men in such a way, they say it was "only in fun".
 - c. COWARDLY LIARS Isa. 57:11
 - i. They tell a lie because they are afraid to tell the truth.
 - ii. Examples of cowardly liars:
 - **1.** Adam and Eve in evading responsibility Gen. 3: 10 13.
 - 2. Abraham in calling Sarah his "sister" Gen. 20: 2 12; Gen. 12:9
 - 3. Parents of the blind man John 9: 19 -23.
 - 4. Peter in denying Christ Matt. 26: 69 74.
 - d. MALICIOUS LIARS
 - i. Brought about by hatred or spite Prov. 26: 24 25.
 - ii. Examples of Malicious liars:
 - 1. Potiphar's wife against Joseph Gen. 39: 11 -17.
 - 2. Herod to the Wise men Matt. 2:8.
 - e. COMMERCIAL LIARS
 - i. Lies to obtain money under false pretense.
 - **1.** Gehazi to Naaman − 2 Kings 5: 20 − 27.
 - 2. The Roman Soldiers Matt. 28: 12 15.
 - 3. Ananias and Sapphira Acts 5: 1 10.
 - f. SOCIAL LIARS
 - i. Only two classes of Social liars Men and Women.
 - **ii.** Kiss your "despised friend" at door; adore her clothing, then laugh at the "silly thing" when she is gone.
 - iii. Applaud her children, while wishing to club the "little brats".
 - g. RELIGIOUS LIARS—Rom. 3:4
 - i. Teachers of false doctrines I Tim. 4: 1 -2; Rom. 1:25.
 - ii. Those claiming Apostolic powers Rev. 2:2; 2 Cor. 11: 13 15.

- iii. Those who profess to know Him, but are disobedient I John 2:4; Tit. 1:16.
- iv. Those who claim to love God, while hating brethren I John 4:20.
- v. Those who claim fellowship with God, while in darkness I John 1:6.

III. HOW GOD VIEWS LYING:

- **a.** He Hates it Prov. 6: 16 19; 12:22.
- **b.** Admonishes against it Eph. 4:25; Col. 3:9; I Pet. 3:10.

IV. THE DESITINY OF LIARS:

a. Rev. 21: 8, 27

V. CONCLUSION

- **a.** We should abhor lying Psa. 119: 163
- **b.** "White lies" should be avoided.
- **c.** Lies may be acted, as well as spoken.

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