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THIS WEEK WE ARE TALKING ABOUT LYING

GOAL:

Understanding that as a Christian we have strict instruction not to lie. Jesus ALWAYS wants you to be truthful. Even when it's not the easiest, it's the right way to live. There is no such thing as a harmless little lie.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT LYING?

LYING IS BIG DEAL TO JESUS. WHY? THE BIBLE SAYS IN JOHN 8:44 THAT THE DEVIL IS THE FATHER OF LIES. HE'S THE COMPLETE OPPOSITE OF OUR HEAVENLY FATHER. YOU DON'T WANT TO REPRESENT THE DEVIL IN ANY WAY!

HOW CAN WE TELL THE TRUTH?

IF YOU KEEP GOD'S WORD IN YOUR HEART IT MAKES SINNING A LOT HARDER. JUST READ PSALM 119:11. LYING IS THE COMPLETE OPPOSITE OF THE CHARACTER OF JESUS. THAT'S WHY HE HATES IT SO MUCH. GOD'S WORD LEAVES NO ROOM FOR LITTLE LIES.

GOD MAKES IT VERY CLEAR THAT DISHONESTY IS A SIN, NO MATTER HOW HARMLESS WE THINK IT MAY BE. IT'S EVEN ONE OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS - THOU SHALL NOT LIE.

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**Take time AND memorize our verse
for the week:**

**"The Lord detests lying lips, but He delights in
those who tell the truth."**

Proverbs 12:22

Weekly Bible Reading:

NAAMAN AND GEHAZI // 2 Kings 5:1-27

Questions from our reading:

WHY DID GEHAZI GO BACK AND SEE NAAMAN?

WHAT DID HE TELL NAAMAN?

WAS THIS TRUE?

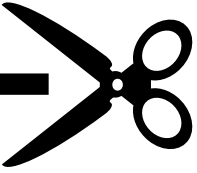
WHAT DID ELISHA ASK GEHAZI?

WHAT DID GEHAZI TELL HIM?

WHAT WAS THE PUNISHMENT THAT GOD PROVIDED FOR GEHAZI?

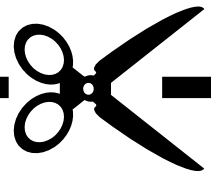
IS IT EVER WORTH TELLING A LIE TO GAIN SOMETHING?

Cut out this week's memory verse
AND PUT it WHERE YOU CAN see it!



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BUT HE DELIGHTS IN THOSE
WHO TELL THE TRUTH."**

PROVERBS 12:22



Let's review WHAT YOU READ THIS WEEK:



DID YOU SEE WHAT HAPPENED IN OUR BIBLE STUDY THIS WEEK?

THIS STORY SHOWS YOU HOW GOD USED ELISHA TO HELP HEAL NAAMAN OF HIS LEPROSY. AFTER HE WAS HEALED NAAMAN WAS SO THANKFUL, HE OFFERED ELISHA A GIFT, BUT ELISHA REFUSED TO TAKE IT.

LATER ELISHA'S SERVANT, WHO WAS NAMED GEHAZI, RAN AFTER NAAMAN AND PRETENDED THAT ELISHA HAD CHANGED HIS MIND AND WANTED A GIFT AFTER ALL. NAAMAN HAPPILY GAVE GEHAZI SILVER AND CLOTHING. BUT GOD SHOWED ELISHA EVERYTHING THAT HAD HAPPENED, AND HOW GEHAZI HAD LIED.

THE PUNISHMENT FOR HIS DECEITFULNESS WAS THE DREADFUL DISEASE LEPROSY — THE VERY THING NAAMAN HAD BEEN HEALED OF. GEHAZI NOT ONLY LOST THE TRUST OF HIS MASTER, BUT HE ALSO LOST HIS HEALTH.

BEFORE YOU TELL LIES TO GET SOMETHING YOU WANT, YOU MUST REMEMBER THAT LYING WILL NOT PLEASE GOD OR YOUR PARENTS. IT IS NOT WORTH GAINING ANY MATERIAL POSSESSIONS OR GETTING YOUR WAY IF IT MEANS WE LOSE THE TRUST OF OTHERS AND CAUSE GOD TO BE DISAPPOINTED IN YOU.

SOME PEOPLE YOU KNOW MAY THINK LYING IS OKAY. THEY SEE NO PROBLEM WITH LITTLE LIES OR TINY FIBS. IN GOD'S EYES THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A LITTLE LIE. GOD WANTS YOU TO BE HONEST, AND THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR BENDING THE TRUTH - EVEN JUST A LITTLE.



Remember, there's no SUCH THING AS A BIG lie, A SMALL lie, A BAD lie, or A LITTLE lie. Either you are telling the truth, or you are LYING. If you lie even A LITTLE you are GUILTY of BREAKING GOD'S commandment!

GEHAZI learned the HARD WAY WHAT GOD thinks ABOUT lies. Lies destroy your reputation before others. They become A REAL STUMBLING BLOCK in your WALK with GOD too.

ASK GOD to GIVE you the COURAGE, AND the WISDOM, to ALWAYS tell the truth. It may not be EASY in the moment, BUT it's ALWAYS worth it in the end.

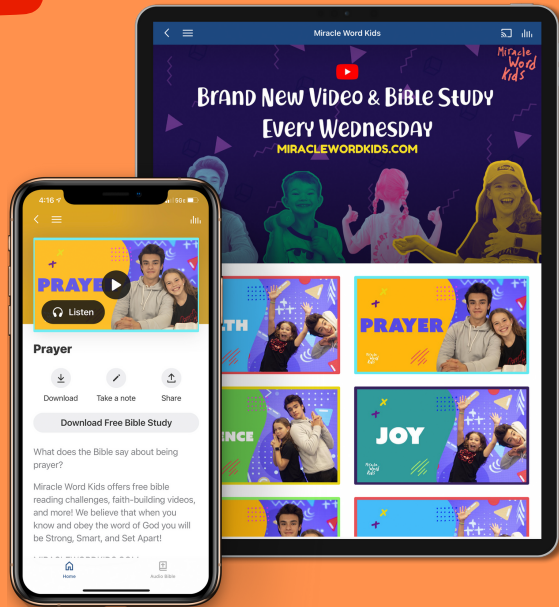
How CAN we PRAY?

Dear LORD, HELP me to BE A truth teller. When the pressure comes to lie, I PRAY I will find ALL the COURAGE to tell the truth. You are my HEAVENLY FATHER AND I will MAKE sure to HIDE your WORD in my HEART to keep me from sinning. I love you. Amen!

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