



Lying

Proverbs 12:22 (ESV)

Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, but those who act faithfully are his delight.

John 8:42-44 (ESV)

Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me."⁴³ Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word.⁴⁴ You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

The devil's native tongue is lying.

The devil's plan for you when it comes to lying:

1. Get you to lie.
2. Get you to lie to yourself.
3. Get you to live a lie.

1 John 2:4 (ESV)

Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him,

The antidote to lying:

Ephesians 4:20-25 ESV

But that is not the way you learned Christ!—²¹ assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus,²² to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires,²³ and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds,²⁴ and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.²⁵ Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

1. Put off the old self.
2. The root reason most of us lie is because we don't completely trust God; so, trust Him.
3. Put on the new.
4. We confess to God for forgiveness and to people for healing.

1 John 1:9 (ESV)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

James 5:16 (ESV)

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.