

SERMON SERIES
THE LAW & THE CROSS
“NEW WORDS FROM A NEW HEART”

Exodus 20:16

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I. Lying words come from evil hearts.

“shall not bear false witness” vs. “give false testimony” & “give dishonest testimony”

“neighbor”

Related words: 1 Timothy 1- liars, perjurers
Romans 1- deceit, gossips, slanderers, boastful

Leviticus 19:11, 16

Deuteronomy 19:18

Psalms 15; 116:11

Proverbs 25:18; 26:19

Matthew 15:19

John 8:44

Romans 1:29-30; 3:13-14

1 Timothy 1:10

“... our world simply echoes the effects of the serpent’s half-truths.”

-J.V. Fesko

*“If you lose your stuff, people feel sorry for you and rally around you...
But if you lose your name and reputation, nobody wants to touch you.”*

-Kevin DeYoung

*“He that raises a slander, carries the devil in his tongue; and he that
receives it, carries the devil in his ear.”*

-Thomas Watson

II. Jesus gives a new heart for new words.

"the way, the truth and the life."

John 14:6

1 Peter 2:22

Revelation 1:5; 21:8; 22:15

"Lying lives deep. We struggle not simply with a vice, but against our entire old nature caught in the net of lying." -J. Douma

III. New words build up others with the truth.

"speak the truth in love → grow in every way into him"

"speak the truth ... members of one body"

"the Word of God dwells richly" in you.

"proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness"

Ephesians 4:15, 25

Colossians 3:16

1 Peter 2:9

"Charity covers a multitude of sins, but hate reveals our shame." - John Calvin

"He is a friend who tells me my faults, but an enemy conceals them from me, perhaps telling them to others behind my back. One who conceals is not helping his neighbor, but is causing him harm." -J. Douma