



Why do we work hard to communicate truth in memorable way (2 Timothy 4:3-4)?
Our world and sadly the church is not always interested in Truth.

- Jude 1:3 urges us to “contend” for the faith.
- 1 Peter 3:15 says to be ready to defend the reason we have hope.
- St. Augustine says truth is like a lion that will defend itself.



Jesus, our Lion from the tribe of Judah has spoken and truth will not return void. Sometimes after a rough week what we really need on Sunday is a reminder that God wants to defend us (Psalm 139:1-5, 13-18, 23-24). Knowing God cares helps us rest in His truth. *Truth can hurt, but not telling the truth can hurt even more.* Thus we come to the 9th commandment in our sermon series (Exodus 20:16). To put on love for one another requires us to not lie to one another.

OT is _____ about false witness + damaging reputation. *Deut 19:14-21*



Exodus 23:1-3
Daniel 6:24

The New Testament _____ truth-telling.

Colossians 3:9

1. Liars hurt _____.

James 3:13-16

2. Liars hurt _____.

Proverbs 26:18-19, 26-28

3. Liars go to _____.

Revelation 21:8



LIAR, LIAR, PANTS ON FIRE

Truth-telling has benefits from head and toe.

Ephesians 6:14

Revelation 22:15

1 John 1:9-10

