

## TELLING THE TRUTH

### Ten Values That Build Strong Families - Part 9

*Exodus 20:16 "You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor." Exodus 20:16*

*"Would you like to enjoy life? Do you want long life and happiness? Then keep from speaking evil and from telling lies."  
Psalms. 34:12-13 (GN)*

#### I. WHY DO WE LIE?

Type Motive

. The cruel lie.

. The cowardly lie.

. The conceited lie.

. The calculated lie.

. The convenient lie.

#### II. HOW TO TELL THE TRUTH

##### 1. TELL THE TRUTH \_\_\_\_\_.

*"Someone who holds back the truth causes trouble."  
Proverbs 10:10 (GN)*

*"In the end people appreciate frankness more than flattery."  
Proverbs 28:23 (LB)*

##### 2. TELL THE TRUTH \_\_\_\_\_.

*"Let our lives lovingly express the truth in all things - speaking truly, dealing truly, living truly."  
Ephesians 4:15 (Amp)*

*"people who can't be trusted are destroyed by their own dishonesty." Proverbs 11:3 (GN)*

*"Reliable communication permits progress."  
Proverbs 13:17 (LB)*

##### 3. TELL THE TRUTH \_\_\_\_\_.

*"Speak the truth in a spirit of love."  
Ephesians 4:15 (GN)*

*"(Speak) only what is helpful for building others up, according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."  
Ephesians 4:29*

##### 4. TELL THE TRUTH \_\_\_\_\_.

*"Thoughtless words can wound as deeply as any sword, But wisely spoken words can heal."  
Proverbs 12:18 (GN)*

*"Intelligent people think before they speak."  
Proverbs 16:23 (GN)*

*"There is a right time and a right way to do everything."  
Ecclesiastes 8:6 (GN)*

#### The Real Problem

*"For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of"  
Matthew 12:34 (GN)*