

Liar! Liar!

“ How to Recognize the Trap of Deception ”

1. It Provides the Easy Way Out vv. 13-17

2. It Always Multiplies vv. 18, 25

3. There is Always a Reckoning vv. 26-27



Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

Point #1

- Read John 18:13-17. Why did Peter lie about knowing Jesus? What does this highlight about the truth of Point #1?
- Give an example of how you can fall into this trap. Given lying is satanic (John 8:44), how does Point #1 adjust you?

Point #2

- Read John 18:18, 25. Given Peter ended up denying Jesus multiple times, what does it reveal about lying?
- Why is Point #2 important to remember? How is God encouraging you to be more on guard? Be specific.

Point #3

- Read John 18:26-27. Who knew that Peter was lying multiple times? What does this reveal about Point #3?
- Why is this important for every Christian to remember? Be specific. How does Point #3 motivate you to be honest?

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message. A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read John 18:13-17, Genesis 2:8-9, 15-17, 3:1-4, John 8:44

- How did Satan lie to Eve and ultimately Adam about eating the forbidden fruit? What was the result?
- What does this highlight about the dangers of lying? How did Jesus emphasize this truth in John 8:44?
- In what way do you think Christians have minimized the sin of lying today? How does this adjust you?

TUESDAY // Read John 18:13-17, Matthew 26:31-35, 55-56, 5:37, James 5:12

- In what way did Peter put himself in harm's way by following Jesus after He was arrested? Why?
- How was this different from the other disciples? Why did Peter lie about knowing Jesus?
- What does this highlight about the temptation to lie? How can you fall into this trap? How can you avoid it?

WEDNESDAY // Read John 18:18, 25, Matthew 26:69-74a, Luke 22:54-60a

- Given Peter ended up lying multiple times to those around him, what does it reveal about lying?
- How could Peter have initially responded without lying? What would this have prevented from taking place?
- In what way have you underestimated the impact of a simple lie? What is God teaching you about being on guard?

THURSDAY // Read John 18:18, 25, James 3:6-9

- In what way does James 3:6-9 highlight the need to contain lying? What happens if this doesn't take place?
- Given lying can take place in many ways (i.e., ½ truths, omitting, etc.), how have you rationalized the sin of lying?
- What similar situation do you find yourself needing to be more honest about today? What practical steps will you take?

FRIDAY // Read John 18:26-27, Luke 22:60b-62, Hebrews 12:5-11

- Who knew that Peter was lying about being a disciple of Jesus? What does this reveal about getting away with it?
- Why is this important for every Christian to remember? What will happen if this is minimized or rejected?
- What specific lie do you need to confess and stop doing today? Take time right now to confess and repent.

SATURDAY // Read John 18:13-18, 25-27, Ephesians 4:25, Colossians 3:9, Exodus 20:16

- As you review this week's passage, what has had the most impact on you? Why?
- In what way has this challenged your view of being honest and lying? Be specific.
- What area of deception is God prompting you to address? How will you step into these truths in a practical way?

MEDITATION VERSE: ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices
¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

Colossians 3:9-10