**THE lawGIVER: Ninth**

**Study Guide**

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* **Exodus 20:16**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
	+ **Why?** But in general we lie about things that aren’t important, little things that we think will make us **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** or more **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.
	+ **Who? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. As a person ages, lying **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** in **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, and adults begin to lie less and for different reasons than their adolescence.
* False speaking in any matter, every attempt or purpose to deceive our neighbor, is here included. An intention to deceive is what constitutes falsehood. By a **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of the eye, a **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of the hand, an **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of the countenance, a falsehood may be told as effectually as by words. All intentional overstatement, every **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** or insinuation calculated to convey an erroneous or exaggerated impression, even the statement of facts in such a manner as to mislead, is falsehood. [Patriarchs and Prophets, 309]
* Lying can be cognitively depleting… it can threaten people's self-worth by preventing them from seeing themselves as “good” people, and it can generally erode **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** in society. [Society for Personality and Social Psychology]
* **Hebrews 6:18** In which it is **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** for God to **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. [Numbers 23:19/Titus 1:2]
* **The TRUTH**
	+ **John 18:37** …In fact, the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth.
	+ **John 18:38** “What is truth?” **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Pilate. With this he **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**...
	+ The question that hints that there is **\_\_\_\_\_** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** as truth. We must understand Pilate to understand ourselves, for he may have represented the very modern view that truth is after all a relative and subjective affair… [Smoke on the Mountain, 108]
	+ To leave **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** for unbelief, misunderstanding, or misinterpretation of His words, the Lord repeats the thrice-given promise. He longs to have those who would seek after God believe in Him who is able to do all things. Let those who desire the blessing of God knock and wait at the door of mercy **with firm assurance, saying, For Thou, O Lord, hast said…** [Thoughts from the Mount of Blessings, 130]