

Women's Bible Study

10 Apps for Life

App #9: God's Truth – Exodus 20:16

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Intensive Study Questions

Key verse: "You shall not steal." (Exodus 20:15)

1. Since we all need review . . . List the 10 commandments from memory. Leave blanks for the ones you can't remember. Go back to Exodus 20, review, then try again. Now write a one-sentence summary of what you remember from the lesson on each commandment.
2. Look up Ex. 20:16 in at least 3 different Bible translations. Summarize this command in its narrow, legal sense.
3. What was the punishment for lying in court, according to Hebrew law? (Look at Deut. 19).
4. Now consider how this commandment can have a broader application. What would that be? Write it two times, first negatively ("Don't . . .") then positively ("Do . . ."). Read Psalm 15. Write down the phrases that have to do with truth.
5. Find at least 5 Scripture verses that show what God thinks about truth and lies. Why is the truth so important to God?
6. Why do we yield to the temptation to be dishonest? In what circumstances do you most often fail in this area?
7. Recall the last time someone told you something that made another person look bad. How did you handle it? (Did you verify what was said? Did you repeat the matter? Were you secretly pleased to know a bit of "dirt"?) What is a biblical way to handle these situations? Consider Eph. 4:21-25; 5:8-11; Matt 7:3-5; 18:15-18; I Cor 13:6 or others. How can you apply this biblical counsel to situations in the office? In church? At home with children or husband or in-laws?

