

HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a



Talking about The Ten Commandments

The Eighth Commandment

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor (Exodus 20:16).

What does this mean?

This means that we should fear and love God so that we do not misrepresent, betray, lie about, nor slander our neighbor, but defend him, speak well of him, and say the kindest things we can about all he does.

93 How may you give a false testimony in your daily life?

1. I give a false testimony when I lie about my neighbor and speak evil or carelessly gossip about anyone.
2. I give a false testimony when I use God's gift of language in a way that leads my neighbor to misunderstand what is true.



Ephesians 4:25 "Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another."

James 4:11a "Do not speak evil against one another, brothers."

Ephesians 4:29-32 "Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."

94 Is it possible for you to lie by your silence?

Yes, it is possible to lie by my silence when it will lead to a misunderstanding.

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version

