

The Truth About Honesty

THE GOOD LIFE

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

Principle of _____

Colossians 5:9 Don't lie to one another.

Three Ways To Develop Honesty

1. Be honest with _____

Proverbs 11:3 The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity.

Luke 6:45 A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

2. Be honest with _____

_____ - hearing something you like about someone you don't. The transmission of near-factual information.

_____ - malicious untruth with the intention of doing harm or discrediting.

_____ - Insincere praise

Everything we say must be _____ but not everything that is true must be _____.

James 5:16 (MSG) Make this your common practice: Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you can live together whole and healed. The prayer of a person living right with God is something powerful to be reckoned with.

Proverbs 9:8-9 ...rebuke the wise and they will love you. 9 Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still

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Psalm 52:1-5 Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. 2 Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. 3 When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. 4 For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Luke 16:10 Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.