

# The Principle of Honesty

## ICE BREAKER

- What does the word “integrity” mean to you?

## Exodus 20:16

- Lie: To practice deceit, falsehood, and treachery either by word or action.
- Truth: A fixed standard by which reality is measured.
  - What is normally the motivation for lying? What will lying normally lead to? What are the consequences of lying?
  - What do you think of “white” lies?

## Be honest with yourself: Ask for feedback

## Psalm 51:6; Psalm 139:23

- Why is God so adamant about us speaking the truth?

## Be honest with others: Be Accountable

## Proverbs 12:26

- The ability to build a healthy relationship is based on the degree to which you are able to be clear and honest.
  - **The Wise-** welcomes the truth; talk to them
  - **The Fool-** adjusts the truth; warn them
  - **The Evil-** use truth to harm; protect yourself

- **James 5:16**

## Be honest with God: Be forgiven and free

## 1 John 1:9; John 8:32

## APPLICATION

- Do I need to surrender my life to Jesus Christ and have my sins forgiven?
- What is one takeaway from today’s message (or this series)?