### **CAN GOD LIE?**

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

- A. TEXT: "Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness, in hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised before times eternal," (Titus 1:1,2).
  - 1. Paul would remind Titus of the Eternal Purpose of God for man.
  - 2. God, because He is God, Cannot Lie.
- B. "Wherein God, being minded to show more abundantly unto the heirs of the promise the immutability of his counsel, interposed with an oath; that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we may have a strong encouragement, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us:" (Heb. 6:17,18).
  - 1. Not only, God Cannot lie, It is impossible for Him to Lie.
  - 2. What this means for us.
    - a. Absolute confidence.
    - b. Complete assurance.

#### WHAT IS A LIE

- A. BY DEFINITION:
  - 1. "To speak falsely."
  - 2. "To fabricate".
  - 3. "Something said with intent to deceive."
- B. BY EXAMPLE:
  - 1. The Devil. In The Garden (Gen. 3).
    - a. Direct contradiction of what God had said.
    - b. "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father it is your will to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and standeth not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; for he is a liar, and the father thereof." (John 8:44).
  - 2. Gehazi (II Kings 5).
    - a. The story of Naaman.
    - b. Gehazi lies because of his greed, and becomes a leper.
  - 3. Cain... What he did. What He said. "Am I my brother's keeper".

#### C. THE END OR FATE OF THE LIAR.

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- 1. "and all liars" shall be cast into the lake of fire. (Rev. 21:8)
- 2. "Without are the dogs, and the sorcerers, and the fornicators, and the murderers, and the idolaters, and every one that loveth and maketh a lie. (Rev. 22:15).

#### **OUR CONFIDENCE**

### A. IN THE PROMISE OF GOD...GOD WHO CANNOT LIE.

- 1. John 3:16.
- 2. John 14:1-4.
- 3. Is there ever an example of a promise of God that failed?
  - a. Because God cannot lie.
  - b. What Great Confidence this gives us.
- B. THE OFFER OF SALVATION.
  - 1. Text. Titus 1:2 "hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie promised
  - 2. "let us hold fast the confession of our hope that it waver not; for he is faithful that promised;" (Heb. 10:23).
  - 3. A list could be prepared of the promises of God.
- C. OUR CONFIDENCE.
  - 1. God NEVER Failed To Fulfill A Single Promise.
  - 2. As Paul told Timothy.... "God is Able.." (II Tim. 1:12).

#### **IN OUR LIVES**

#### A. GOD PROMISES US PEACE!

- 1. "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 4:7).
- 2. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful." (John 14:27).
- B. JOY.
  - 1. Rejoice...(Phil. 4:4)
  - 2. Our Joy is Eternal.
- C. GOD PROMISES TO CARE FOR US.
  - 1. "Be not therefore anxious, saying, What shall we eat? Or, What shall we drink? Or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? For after all these things do the Gentiles seek; for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first his kingdom, and his

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*righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*" (Matt. 6:31-33).

2. God...Who Cannot Lie, Promises Us Peace, Joy, and Care.

#### **OTHER THOUGHTS**

- A. WHO WOULD CALL GOD A LIAR?
  - 1. Some, by their actions and teachings do.
  - 2. "If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us." (I John 1:10).
- B. TO SAY THAT GOD SAYS SOMETHING, THEN DOESN'T DO IT ....
  - 1. To accuse God of saying a thing, then not doing it.
  - 2. Is to accuse God of lying.
- C. IF GOD COMMANDS A THING....THEN DOESN'T ENFORCE IT, WHAT DOES THAT TEACH.
  - 1. Man, who acknowledges that God in His Word commands then teach
  - 2. That God does not enforce what He commands, accuse God of lying.
  - 3. Can God be true (truthful) and not mean what He says?
- D. WE CANNOT ....
  - 1. Make God true in All His Promises that are good...and
  - 2. Then make Him untrue in His Commands!!

#### **CONCLUSION**

#### A. GOD IS:

- 1. Light.. "God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all." (I John 1:5).
- 2. Love. "For God is Love." (I John 4:8).
- 3. <u>True</u>. *"He that hath received his witness hath set his seal to this, that God is true."* (John 3:33).
- 4. We must also remember that God is <u>Just!</u>. *"that he might himself be just, and the justifier of him that hath faith in Jesus."* (Rom. 3:26b).

#### B. GOD PROMISES US ETERNAL LIFE.

- 1. What Great Confidence This Gives.
- 2. Knowing we can have absolute confidence because He Cannot Lie.
- 3. WE PLACE OUR LIFE IN HIS CARE.