

The Lies of Satan

(John 8:44)

Jesus called the devil a liar. In fact, He called him the “father of lies.” While it is bad enough that the devil lies, the really sad thing is for a lot of people they believe his lies. They believe the same old falsehoods that he has been telling for thousands of years. Consider a few of Satan’s lies.

I. Lie #1: “God doesn’t really care about what we do.”

- A. This is the lie Satan told Eve (Genesis 3:1-7).
 - 1. In his first conversation with Eve, Satan told her the opposite of what God said.
 - 2. He added to the word “not” to what the Lord said in Genesis 2:16-17.
 - 3. Eve had to make a choice as to who she would listen to. Unfortunately, she made the wrong choice!
- B. The devil continues to promote this same lie today. To avoid falling for it, we need to...
 - 1. Remember Adam and Eve (Genesis 3)!
 - 2. Remember Cain (Genesis 4)!
 - 3. Remember King Saul (1 Samuel 15)!
 - 4. Remember Uzzah (2 Samuel 6:6-7).
 - 5. Remember what Jesus said in Matthew 7:21!

II. Lie #2: “Sin is not really a big deal.”

- A. A great definition of sin is provided in 1 John 3:4. Unfortunately, in our society sin is celebrated and trivialized.
 - 1. We see this in the beer commercials.
 - 2. We see this when politicians and celebrities are caught in scandals.
 - 3. We see this with the gay marriage movement.
 - 4. We see this with how many view pornography today.
- B. This is another lie of Satan!
 - 1. God took the sin of Adam and Eve very seriously! By getting Eve to believe his lie, the devil contributed to spiritual death (John 8:44).
 - 2. Paul says, “For the wages of sin is death” (Romans 6:23).
 - 3. Sin is so serious that it cost Jesus His perfect life on a cross !

III. Lie #3: “You can’t make it to heaven .”

- A. The devil wants you to believe that God doesn’t love you and want you to be saved.
 - 1. He wants you to believe that God doesn’t have your best interest in mind. This is what he deceived Eve into believing (Genesis 3:4-5).
 - 2. The truth was the devil didn’t care about Eve!
- B. Like all his other lies, this one is also exposed in God’s word.
 - 1. Despite what Satan says, God loves us (John 3:16; Romans 5:8).
 - 2. Despite what Satan says, this life is not all there is (Matthew 25:46; John 14:2).
 - 3. Despite what Satan says, because of the grace, love, and forgiveness of God, we can go to heaven (Mathew 7:21; John 11:25; 14:2-3; 1 Peter 1:3-5; 1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Timothy 4:6-8). Will we believe what God has promised?

Conclusion: The devil also wants you to believe that, “there are a variety of ways to be saved .” This is another lie! God has one plan of salvation (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16).