



## KIDS WISDOM Truthfulness

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### Slide: Welcome

*(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)*

**Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.**

### Slide: Series Intro

**Leader Tip:** Before group, choose a couple of kids to be in on your lesson. Tell each kid a different lie about the reason you're missing a friend's party. Tell one kid it's because you're going to Hawaii on vacation. Tell another kid you're going to the circus. Tell another kid the truth-that you're grounded and don't get to go anywhere. Then, act it out in front of the group. "Are you going to the party?" (kids say yes, are you?) You say, "No, I can't because I'm going to a movie." Then have each kid say, "Wait....I thought you were going to Hawaii", "I though you were going to the circus." Then, have the last kid say the truth. "You said you were grounded." Then act flustered and confused.

**Before we jump into our lesson this week, I have a question for you. Have you ever told a lie? (allow kids to answer). Why did you choose to lie? (allow a few kids to respond). What happens when you're caught lying? (allow a few kids to answer). Lying stinks. It always brings more trouble so it's not worth it. (If you used the Leader tip, ask the kids why you wanted to lie to your friends and what happened because you lied)**

**Well in today's lesson, we are going to learn about truthfulness, which is the opposite of lying. But, before we get into that, let's stand and sing.**

### Song

*Song #1*

**Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.**

### Slide: Big Idea

*All together:* Don't play hide and seek with the truth. **(Repeat)**

### Video

*Play lesson video.*

## Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- What happens when we lie once? (We'll tell more lies to hide the first)
- How does telling the truth help us? (People can trust us, we're not worried about keeping track of lies.)
- True or False: It's okay to tell small lies. (F)

Lying is never a good choice. Lying is a selfish response because you're only thinking about yourself-making yourself look good or trying to put the blame on someone else. And, lying means people can't trust you. You can't be a true friend if nobody believes what you say. Lying brings trouble, trouble and more trouble.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

## Slide: Memory Verse

"Truthful words (point to mouth) stand (hands on hips) the test of time, but lies (thumbs down) are soon exposed." Proverbs 12:19 (Repeat)

Telling the truth is always best. Even if it means getting into trouble or looking bad, it's always better to tell the truth. You know why? First, when you tell the truth, people will trust you. They will believe what you say. Second, God hates lying. God doesn't ever lie to us and he doesn't want us to lie to others. Remember the Golden Rule-treat others the way you want to be treated? Do you want to be lied to by others? Nope! So, don't lie to your friends and family!

So, kids, don't play hide and seek with the truth. Always tell the truth and then you won't have to worry about keeping track of lies.

Now, let's all stand and sing one last song together.

## Song

Song #2

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

## Slide: Big Idea

Don't play hide and seek with the truth. (Repeat)

## Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.