

Building Community by Speaking Truth
Ephesians 4:25
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What motivates and sustains our sanctification?

Typical pattern – put off, put on, and this is why.

All of these exhortations deal with our relationships with other believers.

Don't lie, but speak the truth with each other. v 25.

What you must put off

Stop lying

Do you lie to yourself? Why?

Where does lying come from? (John 8:44)

What does lying accomplish? (Psalm 101:7)

How does God reward liars? (Rev 21:8)

What are some examples of lying?

What you must put on

Speak truth to your neighbor (Zech 8:16)

Everything that you say must be true, but you do not have to say every true thing.

What are some additional Biblical filters on speech?

What is the reason for the change?

For we are members of one another

The hand doesn't lie to the foot.

Lying hurts the whole body.

Build community by telling the truth. (Prov 12:22)

Do we really need Umpires?