

PEOPLE OF TRUTH IN AN AGE OF LIES

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Proverbs 6:16-19 *The Lord hates ... a lying tongue ... a heart that devises wicked plans ... a false witness who breathes out lies ...*

1. Perspective: The Doctrine of Humanity

- Humanity tends to lie
- Humanity lies in many ways

Proverbs 26:18-19 *Like a madman who throws firebrands, arrows, and death is the man who deceives his neighbor and says, "I am only joking!"*

- Humanity lies for many reasons
- Humanity minimizes lies
- Humanity lacks knowledge, but even more importantly, wisdom
- Humanity is self-righteous
- Humanity loves falsehood and folly

Prov. 1:22 *“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?”*

Proverbs 15:14, 21 *the mouth of fools feeds on folly ... folly is a joy to him who lacks sense.*

Proverbs 18:2 *A fool takes no pleasure in understanding, but only in expressing his opinion.*

- Humanity is greedy
- Humanity is enslaved until they believe the greatest truths of all

2. Pastoral concern

3. Practical ideas

- Prioritize your discipling influences and keep your soul well-fed.

Proverbs 1:33 *whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster.*

- Be teachable
- Slow down
- Seek discernment
- Understand clickbait and other profit models
- Watch for true journalism
- Prioritize true journalism from a biblical Christian worldview
- Don't lie

4. Promise: The Doctrine of God

Proverbs 21:30 *no wisdom, no understanding, no counsel can avail against the LORD.*