

States permits them to affirm and in a rather dignified way to affirm that this true and it amounts really to the same thing. Putting it off into a separate category you have affirmed this and it puts ~~xxxxxx~~ you before the law in a different situation than if you had merely made a statement. That is not ~~xxxx~~ what Christ meant. Christ meant, "Make your statement so definitely true that people won't think it necessary for you to take an oath in order to know that they can trust your word. Let your ~~yes~~ be yea and your nay nay. Now this, of course, is an easy thing to say. that a lie is always wrong, but it is a hard thing to practice. If you get outside of specifically Christian groups you find that it is a concept that is practically unknown. I was greatly disgusted sometime ago to see a series of books for children which had a number of stories in it for the children to read and practically everyone of them rested on the cleverness of someone who told a lie and used some deceitful method to gain his point. This was presented as commendable and of interest to the children. I find that among people of the world it is considered a very clever thing to tell a lie just so that people will believe it and consider it a big joke if they will believe something that isn't true which often they had no means of examining as to whether it was true or not. This I think then is something that we should not just accept off hand, but think about that a lie is always wrong in the Scripture and whether you tell somebody has a pretty hat on and you don't think it is or whether ~~ix~~ you say that something is very nice when you don't think it is or say that somebody is not at home when they are. Anything that is very contrary to fact is very strictly forbidden in Scripture.

(Question) A lie is a statement which the speaker of knows to be contrary to fact. (Question) That is as the word is commonly used in English. I would say that that is very definite.

(Question) That is a very strong statement and, of course, we know it is not true. because every man is a liar. It means that all liars who are not cleansed by the blood of Christ will be cast into the lake of fire--all who remain liars.