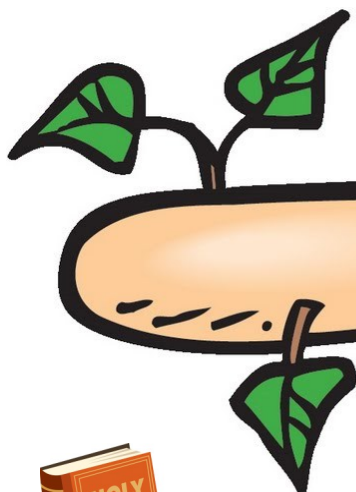




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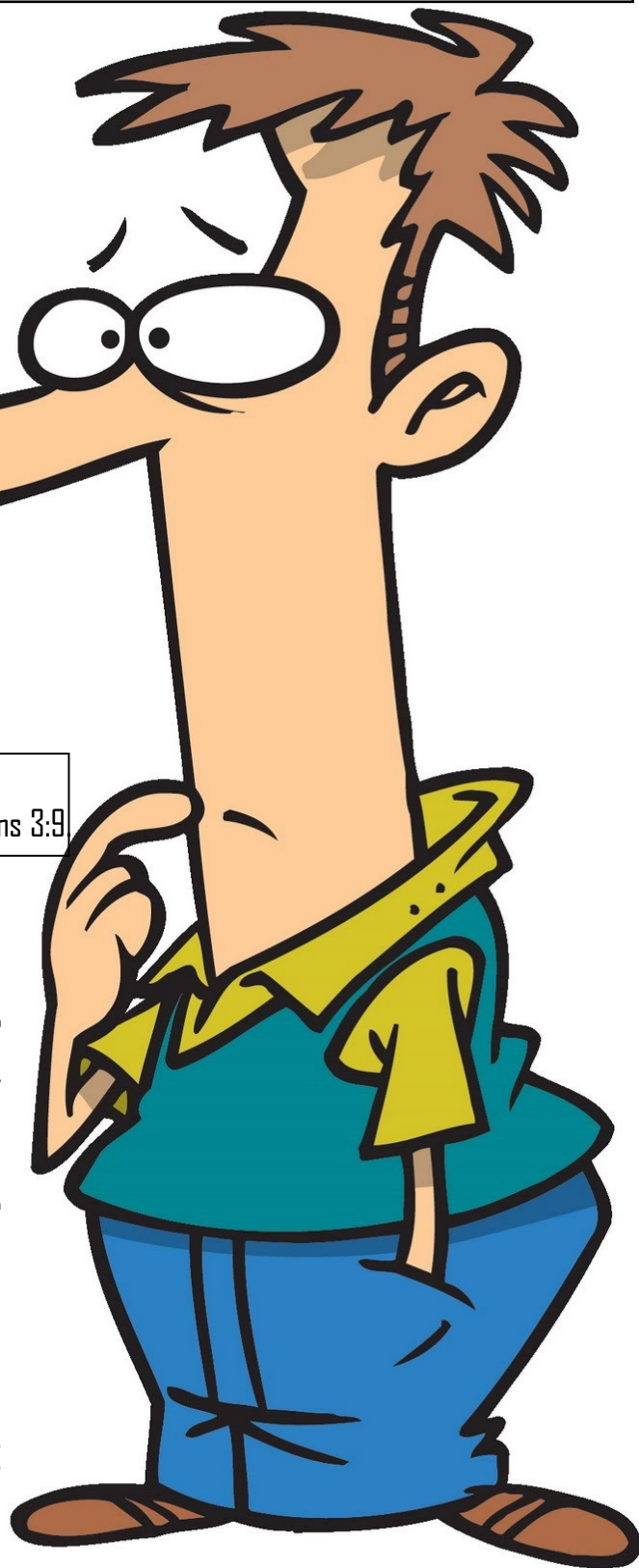
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This is a new section made for kids. Since this magazine is called "Truth Aflame" and this section is called "Truth for Youth," we will start out by talking about truth.



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "Put away lying..." Ephesians 4:25.
"Don't lie to each other..." Colossians 3:9

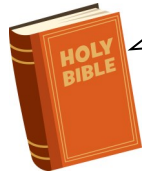
You've probably heard the story of Pinocchio. His nose would grow when he lied. It grew and grew with each lie. This made it easy for other people to tell when Pinocchio was lying. They would just look at his nose. If your nose grew every time you told a lie, how long would your nose be? Noses do not really grow when we tell lies. We may trick people by lying, but God does not need to see your nose grow to tell if you are lying. He knows anyway. Why does God tell us not to lie? Turn the page to find out.



God tells us not to lie because...

MY GOD
IS TRUTH.

1. GOD IS TRUTH.



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "...God...cannot lie..." Titus 1:2.
"It is impossible for God to lie..." Hebrews 6:18.

God tells us not to lie because it is not what God does. God always tells the truth. He is truth. If we want to do what God does, we need to tell the truth. A little lie is still a lie. We need to tell the truth even when it means we may get in trouble. We need to tell the truth when other people may not like it. We are not to tell the truth in a mean way, but we do need to tell the truth. It is what God would do.

2. SATAN IS LIES.



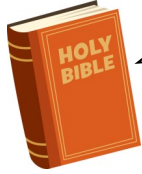
GOD'S WORD SAYS: "Why has Satan filled your heart to lie...?" Acts 5:3.
"For (the Devil) is a liar, and the father of lies" John 8:44.

God tells us not to lie because it is what Satan does. Truth does not come from Satan. The name Devil means "deceiver or liar." One of the biggest lies told about Satan is that he is a red guy with a pitchfork who rules Hell. The real Satan is not the one pictured here. Satan does not rule Hell. He is not red. He is not a cute cartoon. He does not even look mean. He can look like an angel of light. His lies look good, but we know any lie is not from God. When we lie, we are doing what Satan wants us to do.





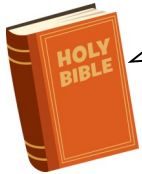
3. JESUS IS TRUTH.



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no one comes to the Father except by Me" John 14:6.

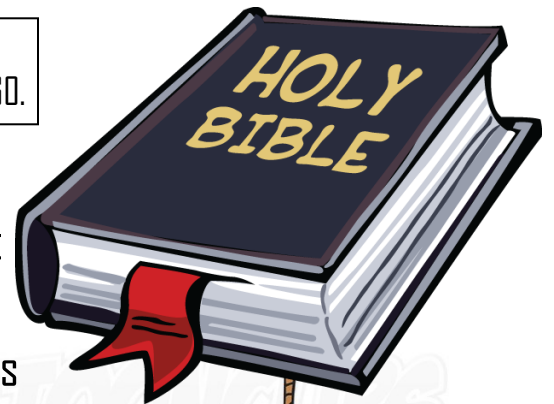
God the Father sent His Son Jesus Christ to tell His truth. Everything that Jesus Christ did and said was true. As God the Son, Jesus never lied. He never sinned, but He died on the cross for our sin. He was buried and rose again. You can believe in the truth of Jesus Christ. When you trust in Him, it is true that you are saved and will be in Heaven one day. We are to live for Jesus Christ. He is truth, so we should tell the truth.

4. THE BIBLE IS TRUTH.



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "Your Word is truth" John 17:17.
"All of Your Word is truth" Psalm 119:160.

God does not lie in His Word. The Bible is true. It tells us about God. The Bible tells us how the earth was created. It speaks of Heaven and Hell. It tells us about sin. It tells us how to be saved from sin. It tells us that if we trust in the work of Jesus Christ we will be saved forever. We can trust the Bible. It is God's Word, and God never lies.





5. SPEAK THE TRUTH.



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "Speak the truth in love" Ephesians 4:15
"Faith comes by hearing the Word of God" Romans 10:17.

Since the Bible is true, we need to know it. We read it. We hear about it at church. Knowing God's Word helps us to obey God's Word. We should also tell the truth of the Bible to others. We do not tell them in a mean way. We share the truth in love. People need to hear that Christ died for their sins, was buried, and came back to life. Who are you going to tell today?



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"Faithful Examples"
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