

Series: Lies & Liars.

Title: The Greatest Liar.

Text: John 8:42-47

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Theme Verse - 2 Timothy 4:3-4

Focus - Satan's _____ impulse.

John 8:42-47 Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. ⁴³ Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. ⁴⁴ You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies. ⁴⁵ But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me. ⁴⁶ Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? ⁴⁷ Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

Satan is:

1. In opposition _____.

...If God were your father... you are of your father, the devil...

and _____ a movement against God.

2. Driven by the agenda of _____.

v. 44 He was a murderer from the beginning...

A. It is his personal identity.

B. It is his _____ place.

1 John 3:12 We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous.

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All scripture quotes are from the English Standard Version unless otherwise noted.

C. It is his ultimate _____.

Revelation 6:9-10 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. ¹⁰ They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

3. Focused on the strategy of deception. v. 44

A. A _____ liar.

...a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth...

B. A _____ liar.

...because there is no truth in him.

C. A _____ liar.

v44 ...When he speaks, he speaks out of his own character.
(NIV) When he lies, he speaks his native language...

D. An _____ liar.

...for his is a liar...

E. A _____ liar.

...and the father of lies.

His Children are:

1. Driven by his same agenda.

v. 44 ...your will is to do your father's desires.

2. _____ by lying.

v. 45 But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me!

3. Incapable of _____ the _____.

v. 43 (NIV) ...you are unable to hear what I say.

v. 47 Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

4. _____ toward God or the things of God.

v. 42 Jesus said to them, "If God were your father, you would love me..."