

## **“Tell the Truth”**

*Exodus 20:16*

### **What Does the 9<sup>th</sup> Commandment Mean?**

We are instructed to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

### **Why Does the 9<sup>th</sup> Commandment Matter?**

- Our commitment to the truth **states** our God is a truth-teller.
- Our commitment to the truth **saves** lives.

### **How Can We Keep the 9<sup>th</sup> Commandment?**

- Refuse to lie. . .
  - In the court of **law**.
  - In the course of **life**.
- Refuse to lie to **one another**.
  - Christians should avoid being a **false** witness.
  - Christians should avoid being a **spin** doctor.
  - Christians should avoid being a **tabloid** reporter.
  - Christians should avoid being a **rash** juror.
- Refuse to lie about **God**.
  - We **discern** the truth.
  - We **declare** the truth.