

Matthew 5:33

Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.

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But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God,

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**or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or
by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the
great King.**

Matthew 5:36

**And do not take an oath by your head,
for you cannot make one hair white or
black.**

Matthew 5:37

**Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No';
anything more than this comes from
evil.**

Live No Lies
Matthew 5:33-37

1. The Existence of Oaths Gives Evidence of Lies (Matthew 5:33)

“If lying were unknown there would be no need for oaths. Every day we are assaulted by lies about who God is—who we are—what the good life we all crave

actually is...deceptive ideas that play to disordered desires in our own chest that are often normalized in the kinda echo chamber of culture at large. And if we

**come to believe those lies...if we let them
into our bodies and live as if they are true
they wreak havoc in our souls and
sabotage our peace." John Mark Comer**

**2. An Unaccountable Promise is a Moral
Bankruptcy Waiting to Happen
(Matthew 5:34-36)**

**"When we swear we make use of people
trying to bypass their understanding and**

**judgment to trigger their will and possess
them for our purposes." - Dallas Willard**

3. Your Answer is Accountable to Your Actions (Matthew 5:37)

**“It is not so much that we tell lies, it’s
that we live them.” - David Banner**