

THE BIG IDEA CURRICULUM
If I Were The Devil
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Small Group Study for Week of July 31 – August 6

The Big Idea

God is love and truth while the devil is a liar, we show by our lives which one we believe.

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Questions

1. What is significant to us today that Jesus told good synagogue (church) goers that they followed their father the devil in lying and killing? How can we be liars and killers today as church?

As a group list the lies the devil says about the following and then what God says about the following:

2. List some of the lies the devil says about us as individuals. E.g. we are no good. What does God say about us as individuals? The following texts may help in answering some of the devil's lies: Isaiah 1:18, 1 John 3:1-3, Romans 8:1, Romans 3:23, John 10:27-30.

3. List some of the lies the devil says about God. What does God say? The following texts may help in answering some of the devil's lies: 1 John 4:7-11, Jeremiah 29:11, Isaiah 55:8,9.

4. List some of the lies the devil says about the church. What does God say about the church? The following texts might help in answering the devils lies: Matthew 16:18, Acts 20:28, Romans 12:12, 27, Ephesians 1:22; 3:10,11.

Comment: "Good," religious people were said by Jesus to be like their father the devil in being liars and murderers.

5. Why does Jesus list lying and murdering together in John 11:44

6. Why do we believe the devil over God in so many of the areas mentioned above?

7. What can we do to accept and believe more of what God believes about us about Himself and the church, instead of the devils views?