

LIARS TELL LIES | WEEK 8 GROUP CONTENT

SERMON QUESTIONS:

1. The Cultural Lie We Believe

Where do you see the cultural message “as long as I’m happy, I’m good” showing up most in everyday life? Read Luke 9:23. How does Jesus’ call to *deny yourself* challenge that way of thinking?

2. When Feelings Become Authority

Have you ever made a decision primarily based on what felt right in the moment, but later realized it wasn’t wise or godly? Read Jeremiah 17:9. What does this passage teach us about trusting our feelings?

3. The Limits of Happiness

Read Ecclesiastes 2:10–11. Solomon pursued pleasure, success, and achievement but still felt empty. Where are people today tempted to look for happiness that ultimately won’t satisfy?

4. Joy in the Midst of Suffering

Hebrews 12:2 says of Jesus, “For the joy set before him he endured the cross...” What stands out to you about Jesus choosing the cross *for the sake of joy*? How does this reshape the way we think about suffering or difficult obedience?

5. Obedience and Joy

John 15:10–11 says “If you keep my commands... that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.” How does Jesus connect obedience and joy in this passage? Can you think of a time when obeying God led to deeper joy, even if it was difficult at first?

6. From Happiness to Holiness (Application)

Read 1 Peter 1:15–16. Is there a specific area of your life where you’ve been prioritizing happiness over holiness? What would it look like this week to choose surrender and trust God in that area?

PRAYER: Take time to ask each person how the group can be praying for them during the next week.