

Mending Fences
Maintenance for Relationships
Honesty is the Best Policy

- I. Introduction to series
- II. Honesty is best policy AND the only true foundation - v.25
 - A. Put off lying - cast off or cast down
 1. WHY?
 - a) God hates lying - Prov 6:16,17
 - b) Lying is an abomination to God - Prov 12:22
 - c) You are a changed person - Col 3:9
 - d) There are consequences- Prov 19:5
 2. Examples of lying:
 - a) Deceit
 - b) Manipulation
 - c) Withholding information
 - d) Exaggeration
 - B. Put on the truth
 1. WHY?
 - a) It is commanded! - Greek = must speak
 - b) Reflection of Jesus - John 14:6
 - c) Reflection of God's Word - John 17:17
 - d) We are members of each other- Eph 4:25
 2. HOW do we communicate?
 - a) In love - Eph 4:15
 - b) Patiently - James 1:19
 - c) For His glory - II Cor 5:15
 - d) Not for self but for others - Phil 2:3,4
 - e) To bring healing - Prov 12:18