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A Spiritual Lesson In Toon Language: Lesson  
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Series: Digimon, Smurfs, The Flintstones

Episode: Forget About It! (Digimon), Smurfy  
Acres (Smurfs), The Little White Lie (The  
Flintstones),

Topic: Liars' Convention I—Is Lying Good?  
You Make The Call (Easy)

## Introduction:

We are talking about some of the easier lies that are told to get to the bottom of and deduce the morality of. This part of the lesson includes clips from the Digimon episode **Forget About It!**, a clip from the Smurfs episode **Smurfy Acres**, and clips from the Flintstones episode **The Little White Lie**. Things get harder the next session though.

**Scriptures Used Include: Exodus 20: 16; Proverbs 20: 23; Micah**

**6: 11-15; Proverbs 20: 17**

I) Opening Prayer

II) Discussion: Today we're going to discuss lying. What in your opinion is a lie? Is withholding the truth lying? Is it OK to lie under any circumstances?

III) Introduction To Clips: I will show a series of clips on lying and its consequences and we will have a discussion on each one. The Liars' Convention is open. Enjoy the clips and discussion.

#### IV) Analysis and Discussion I:

Liar A) I will now show some clips from the Digimon episode “Forget About It!”

The first liar in this convention is

Demidevimon. Here is the first clip. (Show It)

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What is happening here? In other words, what is happening to our heroes?

(Show Second and Third, Clips)

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What do you think about our villain's plan?

Looks pretty devious!

Is what Demidevimon did right? Why or  
Why not?

This is what I call a destructive type lie.

Demidevimon tried to split our heroes up  
with deception and lies.

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What do you think of Sora? Let's call her the God character in this clip. Why do you think that Sora could be considered the God character here?

I am calling her the "God character" because she seems to be a "still small voice" that at first is mysterious until she is recognized, this is much what God is kind of like.

Do you think Demidevimon deserved what he got in the end?

V) Bible Study I: Read Exodus 20: 16.

Linking to the cartoon clips, what does this mean to you?

VI) Liar B) Analysis And Discussion II:

Our next liar is Gargamel. I will now show a clip from the Smurfs episode “Smurfy Acres”. (Show It)

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This is called a False Advertisement. Is this a good thing to do? What were the consequences of Gargamel's act of deceit?

Physically speaking, the Smurfs get the worst of this bad deal. However Gargamel, if he was real would be severely reprimanded by God and judged if repentance wasn't sincerely done and of course, changed his ways.

There are symbols that are subtle but striking on this clip. These are the liar symbols: First, Gargamel during his advertisement uses the name “Tomfoolery”, which means nonsense. Second, during his advertisement, Gargamel is holding a lyre (This one is self explanatory). Third, there are symbols in the map Gargamel shows. Gargamel uses the terms “dry stream bed” (Dry is the key term here, meaning lifeless), “mushroom hollow” (Hollow is the key term here meaning empty), “half a league”

(meaning not complete truth, but half of it),  
and “fallen maple” (Fallen is the key term  
here meaning spiritually broken or dead).

The trap wall is also a symbol. Lying causes  
separation from God just as the Smurfs (on  
the receiving end this time) are separated  
from Papa Smurf and Smurfette. Falling  
victim to a liar without wisdom can do the  
same thing because you would believe in an  
untruth and therefore you could become  
deluded.

VII) Bible Study II: Read Proverbs 20: 23,

Micah 6: 11-15. [Linking to the cartoon](#)

[clip, what does this mean to you?](#)

VIII) Liar C) [Our next liars are Fred](#)

[Flintstone and Barney Rubble. I will show a](#)

[series of clips from The Flintstones episode](#)

[“The Little White Lie” and we will have](#)

[discussion\(s\). Here is the first clip. \(Show](#)

[Clip # 1\)](#)

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IX) Analysis And Discussion III: As the title of this episode depicts, this is a little white lie. After watching the first clip, do you think that it is good? Why or Why not? Watch what happens. Here is the next clip.

(Show Clip # 2)

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What is happening here? Fred was pretty fortunate in his poker game, but now what?

What is not shown in the video is that Wilma puts an ad in the paper about the wallet so someone can claim it. What do you think Fred will do next? Here is the next clip. (Show Clip # 3)

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What is happening here? What's happening with the white lie at this stage? To back up

the chain of lies Barney poses as a widow.

Is this a good thing? Here is the next clip.

(Show Clip # 4)

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What do you think about how Wilma

catches Fred and Barney in their lies? Right

before the restaurant scene, what happens?

What happens at the restaurant? All of those

lies never profited Fred did they?

Throughout the cartoon, what happened to the little white lie? Do the ends justify the means? After seeing the clips, do you think that these lies are good?

X) Bible Study III: Read Proverbs 20: 17.

Linking to the cartoon clips, what does this mean to you? The Liars' Convention will take an intermission now. Stay tuned for Part II.

XI) Closing Prayer