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A Spiritual Lesson In Toon Language: (We
Need Christian Morals And Ethics: Lessons
IVA, IVB)

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(In God I Trust And Write)

Series: Digimon, Smurfs, The Flintstones,

The Simpsons, Cartoon Network Skits

Episode: Forget About It! (Digimon),

Smurfy Acres (Smurfs), The Little White

Lie (The Flintstones), Lisa Gets An 'A' (The Simpsons), 20,000 Digi-Leagues Under The Sea (Digimon), Sick Day at Cartoon Network (Cartoon Network Skits)

Topic: Is Lying Good?

A Spiritual Lesson In Toon Language: (We Need Christian Morals And Ethics: Lesson IVA)--You Make The Call! (Easy)

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.

IV) Analysis and Discussion I: The Liars' Convention is open. Enjoy the clips and discussion.

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) What is

happening here? In other words, what is

happening to our heroes? (Show Second

And Third Clips) What do you think about

our villain's plan? Looks pretty devious!

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? 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. 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)

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 were 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 no good spiritual life), “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).

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.

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. \(Show Clip I\)](#)

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 this is good? Why or Why not? Watch what happens. Here is the next clip. (Show Clip II) 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 III) 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 IV) 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