

## Christians Speak the Truth with Love

Keep these ideas in mind as you study Chapter 24.

- Kind and true words help us build the Christian community. Lies and unkind words destroy love in the community. We should seek to build.
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- The Eighth Commandment reminds us that we should speak the truth, as Jesus did.
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- The Eighth Commandment is "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor." It means you should not say untrue or unkind things. It reminds Christians that we must always speak true and kind words.

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- The Eighth Commandment tells us to always speak the truth. Jesus always spoke the truth, even when he knew it would cost him his life. It takes courage to speak the truth. The truth can be painful or hard to say. Jesus will help us love the truth and give us the courage we need.
- Christians should love and respect all people, no matter their reputations. Christians should also protect people's reputations.
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