

# “True(ish)” Group Guide

**Series:** The Curriculum

**Passage:** Matthew 5:33-37

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## ICEBREAKER:

What does it mean when someone crosses their fingers when saying something? Has the impact of this ever hurt you?



### Learning His Way

*(Every week in these studies, we will ask questions about the Scriptures that try to help us Discover the unique Way of Jesus that is found in the text.)*

1. Read Matthew 5:33-37 in multiple translations including The Message paraphrase. What catches your attention?
2. Read Exodus 20:7; Leviticus 19:12; Numbers 30:2, & 1 Corinthians 15:33. How do these relate to this passage?
3. What point is Jesus trying to make by referring to the color of our hair?



### Forming His Heart

*(This is the part of the study where we work on our hearts. “How does my character need to grow and change because of this passage?”)*

4. Are you honest 100% of the time? How has dishonesty affected your relationships?
5. What are some examples of when lying (or intentionally misleading) is culturally acceptable? Why is this?
6. What other words might you use to justify or “swear” you will do something?



### Joining His Mission

*(This is the part of the study that we ask, “What would God want us to do because of this passage?”)*

7. What steps can you take to align yourself with the message of Jesus in this passage?
8. How has God kept His promises to you? Share with the group and thank Him.