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Cheating: Why It Is Wrong

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Have you ever wondered why people cheat the most common reason is that most people feel it is the only way to get ahead. For example the owner of big corporation may feel they need to cheat in order to keep their reputation, not only do people who run big companies cheat, so do people who are in everyday situations for instance, a husband may cheat on his wife because he may not feel loved anymore. So, this is the other factor in cheating. This one here is the most hurtful because it can destroy families, the cheating on your spouse leads often to high divorce rates. The other kind of cheating leads to having bad things happen in the economy not only when a large company is

involved, but with a small company also, These two examples are not the only reasons for cheating; a student who had a parent who excelled in high school may feel that this is the only way they feel they can win their parents love. This is far from the truth; they can win their parents love and trust by just trying their best. Now, let's move on to cheating in the field of sports. This is common especially in college basketball some coaches will offer elaborate gifts, just so a high ranking high school student will play for their team. Cheating not only happens in these situations, it happens in other ones as well. Someone may cheat on a video game because they feel that's the only way they

will be able to win. Now, that I have given a few examples of how people cheat, I will now turn to why cheating is wrong in the eyes of God. It is wrong in his eyes because cheating can lead a person to commit other sin issues that are wrong in the Lord's eyes such as lying etc. Another reason cheating is wrong in the eyes of God is that it may lead a person to turn away from God and put their focus more into their cheating instead of focusing on the Lord and what he wants them to focus on which is him and doing the right thing. The best thing someone can do when they suspect someone is cheating is to talk to that person about it and make them understand why it is wrong to cheat, remind that

person of God and who he is; maybe then they will have a change of heart and not cheat anymore, but put all their energy into serving the Lord, which is far better than any kind of cheating in his eyes; and isn't this a better thing to do something for God instead of the cheating that can be done. Because when you're following the path of the Lord and doing what's right, you are able to focus more on everything and not be consumed by cheating. This is what God wants out of someone: to be more focused on him so a person is not apt to cheat or do any other sin issues leading them away from God. Now, for some bible verses on cheating:

Proverbs 11:1-A false balance is abomination to the Lord: but a just weight is his delight.

Proverbs 20:14-It is naught, it is naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, he boasteth.

Malachi 3:5-And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the Lord of hosts.

Amos 8:5-Saying, when will the new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? And the Sabbath, that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and falsifying the balances by deceit?

Micah 6:10-Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable?

Matthew16:26-For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

James 5:4-Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which of you is kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth.

I would also like to add verses on lying, since most people who do cheat will often lie to keep from being caught.

Psalm 5:9-For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part is very wickedness; their throat is an open sepulchre; they flatter with the tongue.

Next, I will add a verse on being unscrupulous because a lot of those who do cheat are this way because they don't care who they hurt or if what they're doing is against God or his kingdom.

## Ezekiel 13: 1-3 -

- 1- And the word of the Lord came unto me saying,
- 2. Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say unto them and say thou unto them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the Lord;

3. Thus saith the Lord God; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing!

I did this article on cheating because it is happening more and more each day, causing every day programs to change their policies. I used the Ezekiel scripture to show how cheaters, like foolish prophets, follow their own spirit instead of following God. For all of these scriptures, I used the King James Version of the bible.