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White Lie: What you do with your life is none of my business.

1. Truths about slander.

a. Slander is for _____.

Slander: To speak evil against another.

I Thessalonians 5:11

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

b. Slander breaks the _____ of _____.

John 13:35

By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

c. Slander reveals that we are _____.

d. Slander is holding someone to a _____ that we don't _____.

Matthew 7:3

"Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?"

e. Slander interrupts God's _____.

f. Slander is for those who don't understand that we are _____.

2. Degrees of slander.

Matthew 7:1-2

"Do not judge, or you too will be judged. ²For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

Matthew 12:36-37

But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. ³⁷For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned."

a. _____ to slander.

Conviction: Refuse to _____ to gossip.

Proverbs 26:22

The words of a gossip are like choice morsels; they go down to a man's inmost parts.

b. " _____ " slander.

Conviction: Don't request _____ prayer for something you aren't laboring over in _____.

Proverbs 10:19

When words are many, sin is not absent, but he who holds his tongue is wise.

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