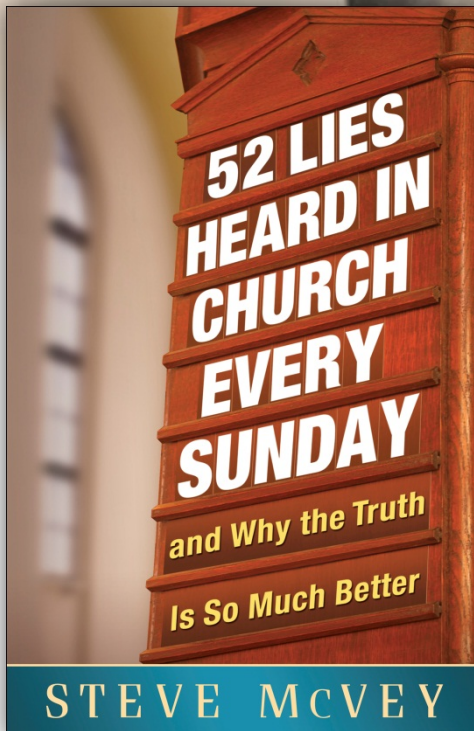


# LIES IN CHURCH



If you've sat in the pew for any length of time, you've heard some lies. That's right, *lies*. In church. Not so sure about that? Read on!

Steve McVey has identified 52 lies that are commonly taught in churches every Sunday. What qualifies him to judge these as lies? The answer is simple. Steve himself unknowingly taught these lies from the pulpit for many years. In his own words, Steve says, "I taught all these lies myself—before I began to experience a radical paradigm shift as I began to learn more about the meaning of grace."

While pastors who teach these lies may be sincere, and some lies may be more "half-truths" than outright deceptions, Steve believes when it comes to the gospel, "**Diluted truth is polluted truth, and polluted truth is no gospel at all.**"

So, what are these 52 lies? Here are just a few examples...

**LIE:** "Becoming a Christian means having your sins forgiven" (*Truth:* You are also made alive!)

**LIE:** "Our sins are under the blood of Jesus" (*Truth:* Far better—they've been taken away!)

**LIE:** "Salvation is giving your life to Christ." (*Truth:* More importantly, He gives you life!)

Now, with conviction but also humility, Steve examines common misconceptions about Christianity, grace, salvation, prayer and more. Even more importantly, he shares why knowing the truth of God's Word is so much better than anything else.

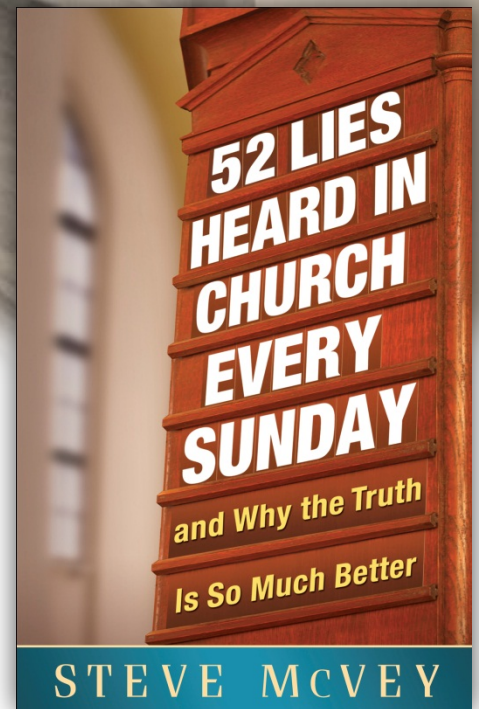


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# INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- ❖ Some might think your book title, *52 Lies Heard in Church Every Sunday*, is a little inflammatory. Were you hoping for a certain response?
- ❖ What made you decide to write a book about lies taught in church?
- ❖ You were a pastor for more than twenty years. When did you realize that you had been teaching lies?
- ❖ You've written a number of books on grace. Some might question whether it is gracious of you to suggest that lies are being taught in their churches. How would you respond?
- ❖ The Bible tells us to pray without ceasing, and that God acts in response to our prayers. Yet, in the book you list "If you pray long and hard enough, God will answer your prayers" as a lie. Could you explain?
- ❖ What about lie #17, "You should live by the teachings of the Bible"? Why would you list that as a lie?
- ❖ Let's talk about lie #6, "Your greatest need is to love God more." Some might argue this isn't a lie, because Jesus said that the greatest commandment is to love the Lord our God with all our might. How do you respond?
- ❖ Lie #23 says, "We should befriend unbelievers in order to win them to Christ." What do you think is wrong with that?
- ❖ Lie #45 says, "God needs you to accomplish His work." Why is this a lie when the Bible teaches that we are the body of Christ?
- ❖ Will you discuss Lie # 31, "We need more faith"? Who wouldn't want more faith?



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