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Deut. 19:15; Num. 35:29-30

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 - Among the things God hates is a "false witness". *Prov.* 6:16-19
 - The penalty for false witness.

Det. 19:16-21; Prov. 19:9

- Examples of those who violated this law:
 - Jezebel against Naboth.1 Kings 21:7-13
 - The Jewish priests against Jesus.

 Matt. 26:59-68
 - The Jewish priests against the apostle Paul.

 Acts 24:1-9

- The lesson for us today:
 - Remember that we are not under any part of the law. *Col. 2:14, 16-17; Rom. 7:4*
 - But under the N.T. we are commanded to always speak with the truth. *Eph. 4:15, 25*
 - The penalty under the N.T. is eternal death. Rev. 21:8

