Being an Honest Person

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A cheat always assumes you're a cheater too. Either that or a fool, and will cheat off you.

A person who snoops assumes that you are snooping too, and will look at you suspiciously if you spend too much time away from them while you are in their home. Perhaps you are just looking at their pictures displayed on a shelf, or admiring their décor, not snooping through cabinets and drawers. But the snoop would do that at your house, so she assumes the same of you.

The same thing goes for a thief. They guard their ill-gotten gains with fervor, assuming that some other thief will come along and take whatever it is they have taken. A thief trusts no one, not even themselves. What a sad, miserable life they must lead.

A liar tells more lies to cover up his initial lies and accuses everyone else of being a liar – except for himself, of course. He thinks the truth is something you make up as you go along. You don't believe it? Just watch the evening news.

A cheat, a liar, a snoop, or a thief assumes the rest of the world is just like them, and is unable to imagine that someone like you could be a truly honest. If you are an honest person, nothing you can say or do will convince them otherwise. The best you can do is keep on being honest, even if only you may know it's true.