

What God Hates (06/14/2020)

Today I want to talk to you about what God hates. Contrary to what many people and believers believe, God is a hater. There are certain things that He hates, and we need to teach people and the body of what He hates. Especially in the times, we live in. Believers need to hate. Unfortunately, many love things that God hates. Many things we participate in are the very antithesis of what God loves. I'm a hater, just like my Father,

So, what I want to do today is remind you and stir up hatred in you! —Hatred of what God hates because we need to walk in hatred, like your Father in heaven.

Most people would be shocked to find that God hates. They think you should never hate under any circumstances. They think hate is not of God.

Do you know that everyone alive has hate in them? God gave us the ability to hate, but it has been misused by the fallen nature of man. The problem is that hate is directed toward the wrong thing. Although hate could be used in a wrong and negative way, it can also be used positively. This is what I want to zero in on.

Proverbs 6:16-19 "These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren."

The word "abomination" here means "something disgusting (morally), that is, (as noun) an abhorrence;" (Strong's Concordance).

This passage says things the Lord hates, not dislikes. There is a difference between hate and dislike.

Many of us dislike certain things, but do not hate them. The Word teaches and commands us to hate, not dislike.

a) Proud look

i) Contrary to our present culture, God hates arrogance and pride.

Proverbs 13:10 says that only by pride comes contention. The heart at the problems we face in pride and self-centeredness.

- ii) Because you kick a ball or throw a ball, that is no reason to be caught up in pride.
 - Your looks, qualifications, eloquence, education, wealth, background is no reason to have pride in our hearts.
- iii) If we have our self-worth and identity wrapped in what we do rather than who we are, we will be caught up in pride.
- b) Lying tongue

Deception, holding back information or leaving the wrong impression. All lying originates from Satan, the father of lies. God. Proverbs 12:19; John 8:44.

- i) Lamestream media such as the
 - Communist News Network.
 - MSNBC—Madness, Stupidity Nonsense Broadcasting Channel
 - FOX—Fake Occasionally
 - ABC—Anti America Broadcasting Channel
 - CBS—China Bogus Station
- ii) These are specialists in deception and manufacturing lies. They say what one has not said. They take things out of context.
- c) Hands that shed innocent blood
 - This is talking about murder, not killing. Murders—unjustified killings are abhorred by the Lord. There are justified killings. For example, killing an animal for food is not wrong, so is self- defense and justified wars.
 - God hates the killing of babies in the womb. This is true innocent blood. We should hate abortion because it is murdering the innocent child in the mother's womb. God hates abortion.
 - If you do not hate what God hates, you need to either get born again, spirit filled or renew your mind.

"I've noticed that everyone who is for abortion is already born"—President Ronald Reagan.

• Infanticide

Infanticide is the evil, ungodly act crime of killing an infant or a child within a year of birth especially one who has survived the act of abortion.

Evil is publicly promoted in our society. If our leaders hated evil and ungodliness, Planned Parenthood would have been out of business decades if not centuries ago.

Recently in February 2019, Senator Ben Sasse of Nebraska proposed a simple bill in the United States Senate. It's called the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (S. 311). It had one objective, and that was to force lawmakers to go on the record about whether they support or oppose infanticide.

The summary of the bill by Ben Sasse read along these lines, "If an abortion results in the live birth of an infant, the infant is a legal person for all purposes under the laws of the United States," and the Constitution, "and entitled to all the protections of such laws."

What were the results? The bill failed because it was opposed. The final vote was 53 to 44. They needed 60 votes for the bill to pass. Several Democrat candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2020 (Sens. Cory Booker (N.J.), Sherrod Brown (Ohio), Kirsten Gillibrand (N.Y.), Kamala Harris (Calif.), Amy Klobuchar (Minn.), Jeff Merkley (Ore.) and Elizabeth Warren (Mass.)—plus independent Sen. Bernie Sanders (Vt.)—voted against the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act.

All democrats apart from three (Democratic Sens. Bob Casey (Pa.), Doug Jones (Ala.) and Joe Manchin (W.Va.) voted in favor of this bill. All the rest of the democrats voted to block (against) the bill. In other words, they voted for infanticide.

- Euthanasia or physician-assisted suicide
- Elderly
- d) Heart that deviseth wicked imaginations

- i) This is speaking about imagining, manufacturing, thinking, planning, plotting, conniving wicked, ungodly things, and evil.
 - God not only hates evil, but He also hates the imagining and planning of it. people are just only concerned with the outside actions of people, but God sees right through to the heart of man. He is disgusted by the evil and wicked thoughts and plans of our hearts toward evil.
 - Proverbs 24:9 The thought of foolishness is sin: and the scorner is an abomination to men.
- e) Feet that be swift in running to mischief
 - i) "Mischief" is referring to "evil."
 - God not only hates evil; He hates swiftness to evil.
 - Some people love sin and will do anything to sin—quickly. We all sin, but we all don't run swiftly to it. We should be very slow to sin, but that starts with a hatred for it.
 - ii) If we had a hatred for evil, we would not be swift going into it.
 - For example: Hollywood and the work they do. The junk they pump through the TV sets is despicable. It has corrupted and destroyed many people's lives, marriages, children, youth, and so forth in the name of "entertainment."
 - I can't stand the demonic, ungodly, nasty, so-called; hip-pop' filthy rap and sexually arousing and violent music culture.
 - I do not pay for what I hate! Garbage in, garbage out! Paid big bucks for it to come into our homes have been the very things that have destroyed our lives. Pay for sewage to be pumped into their heads and home.
 - iii) We live in a world where people are no longer shy nor ashamed of evil and sin. They publicly do the despicable on live TV such as late-night shows while many are busy clapping.
 - Adultery and many other ungodly behaviors were never celebrated but rather shunned.

• Today, these people pay big money for sin and the promotion of evil. We should be shunning evil not embracing it.

Illustration:

I remember a guy in Uganda who was celebrated for having sex live on TV. People came out on the streets and were celebrating a "hero", yet he was a zero with the rim knocked off. This was a celebration of Absalom who had sex publicly with the father's wives (2 Samuel 16:20-22). The spirit of Absalom is being celebrated by many today. What a shame!

- The people we call celebrities are sillybrities! They promote evil.
- The sexual perversion we see today is partially because of us not having this hatred for iniquity (Hebrews 1:9; Psalm 97:10) like Jesus. Look at the negative impact it has brought to our society.
- f) False witness that speaketh lies
 - i) This is more than just ordinary lying.
 - ii) This is one who lies as a false witness. Character assassination is abhorred by God. Lying against a person is so bad that it could sometime cost another person's life. God hates it.
 - iii) Justice Brett Kavanaugh and Neil Gorsuch hearings. Today, if you do not like someone, just lie about it and everyone will pretty much run with it.
 - i) Deuteronomy 19:18-20 And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, if the witness be a false witness, and hath testified falsely against his brother; Then shall ye do unto him, as he had thought to have done unto his brother: so shalt thou put the evil away from among you. And those which remain shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more any such evil among you.
- g) Soweth discord among brethren
 - i) The Lord hates the six things above, but he double hates (Hates so much) the seventh thing which is sowing discord—strife. Such a person brings division among brethren and goes against the unity that the Lord loves. One of the ways this is done is through lying.

James 3:16 tells us the dangers of strife which are confusion and every evil work.

The hatred we are talking about is a godly hatred that hates sin and evil but loves the sinner. These are things that God hates, and we should also hate.

Jesus

Hebrew 1:9 says "Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows."

- a) Jesus hated and hates iniquity and lawlessness, so should we. Hating iniquity is a godly thing.
 - i) A true disciple of Jesus Christ must hate iniquity. Some people just need to learn how to hate and many things in their lives will change for the better. One of the problems we experience today is because we have not stirred up our hatred towards evil in our days.
 - ii) What you don't hate you will allow, and you will commit! It's just a matter of time.
- b) How many of you would say you love righteousness? Then you MUST hate iniquity if you love righteousness. Genuine love hates—it hates what is evil and ungodly (Psalm 97:10).
 - i) Those who claim to love righteousness but do not hate iniquity are either, deceived, ignorant, or not born again.
- c) Jesus was manifest to destroy the works of the devil (1 John 3:8). These works are stealing, killing, and destroying. They are evil, ungodly and lawless.
 - i) Jesus would not have destroyed the works of the devil if He did not hate them. You can't destroy what you do not hate.
- d) God spoke up clearly what He hates and what He loves. We need to speak out loud what we hate. For instance, "I hate adultery and I love faithfulness. I love honesty and I hate dishonesty. I hate bribery and I love integrity" and so forth.
 - i) Life and death are in the power of the tongue. We need to speak out loud what we hate and what we love. If we love something, then we have to hate something else to complete our love for whatever we say we love.

Love the sinner

Leviticus 19:17 <u>Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart</u>: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbor, and not suffer sin upon him.

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- a) The first verse makes it clear not to hate thy brother
- b) The second verse tells us that God hates things, not people.

Separate the sinner from the sin, the act from the actor.

- a) We are never instructed to hate the sinner. We have to be careful not to hate the sinner, in the attempt to hate iniquity, evil, and sin.
 - i) I believe hate becomes bad when it is directed towards people. It should not be towards people.

If we never hate anything, we would never be able to make a difference in this world. Some people take on entire careers dedicated to stopping the very things they hate.

- b) Jesus loves the sinner but hates sin, iniquity, and evil. He loves the actor, not the act. He was the best example of hating evil, yet He never hated the sinner. He came to die for sinners, because He loved us, not hated us. How do you know that Jesus loves you? Well, He died for you. He would not have done that if He did not love you.
 - i) No man on earth was as loving as Jesus, yet we see that Jesus was a hater—a hater of iniquity.
 - ii) People have written books trying to assure you that God hates you because of the way you are living or what you did in the past. Nothing can be further from the truth.
 - i) What you did was foolish, but that did not stop Him from loving you. He loved you before you ever did a thing right. He hates sin and evil because it is detrimental to you. Sin hurts us. God hates it.
 - ii) God is not your enemy. He is not against you. He is against evil and sin that brings damage.
- c) God's love will never leave a person the same. It will bring Him to repentance (Romans 2:4).

- d) Some people will want you to love them and also condone their sin. Loving the sinner does not mean condoning sin or evil and ungodliness nor does it mean you should never deal with the sinner.
 - i) It is not because you hate the sinner but hate the sin. Sometimes you can hardly separate the sinner from the sin, and you have to deal with both (Proverbs 13:10).
- e) We must speak the truth to the sinner. If we do not, we aren't walking in love towards them.
 - i) The woman at the well
 - ii) The woman caught in the act of adultery

Illustration:

One time I was entering a grocery store, and I found a bunch of guys stealing products that were on display on the entrance of the supermarket because I hated evil, I called the security on them and we ran after them to apprehend them. If I did not have a fear of the Lord, I wouldn't have done that. I hated what they were doing.

- a) Psalm 97:10 <u>Ye that love the LORD, hate evil</u>: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
 - i) Hating evil and loving the Lord go hand in hand. Those who hate evil love the Lord. This shows that hating is a good thing if we are hating evil.
- b) Proverbs 8:13 "The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogance, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate."
 - i) According to this verse, the true fear of the Lord is to hate evil. In case you missed it the first time in Proverbs 6, this passage repeats it.
 - God hates pride, arrogance, the evil way, and the forward mouth. The Lord hates these things.
 - Anyone who claims to have the fear of the Lord but does not hate evil is lying or lacks revelation.
 - ii) Proverbs 16:6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil.

Fear of the Lord = Hate evil (Provers 8:13) = depart from evil (Proverbs 16:6).

- iii) To depart from evil, we have to hate it. We can't overcome or depart from what we do not hate. As long as we are still in love with certain things, we can't overcome them.
 - One of the major deterrents from sin is to develop a hatred for it. Very few people will do what they hate.
 - We won't depart from what we do not hate. We need to work on our capacity to hate—no, not people but evil. If you do not hate evil, sin, and ungodliness, you will participate in it.
 - One of the reasons we struggle or fall into sin is because we do not hate it. If we treated sin like a snake that needs to be killed not turned into a pet, we would do a lot better. We have to treat these things like a plague they are.
- c) Romans 12:9 "Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good."
 - i) This verse tells us to hate evil and cleave unto that which is good. One of the ways we hate evil is by cleaving to that which is good.
 - ii) Genuine love has a hatred for evil. This kind of live is without hypocrisy. When we hate evil, we cleave to what is good.
 - We can't cleave to what is good until we hate evil.
 - iii) Sickness and disease are evil. We need hatred for disease and sickness
 - One of the reasons many people have not been healed is because they don't hate sickness. Although they do not love it, a lack of hatred for it is a reason it is still hanging around otherwise you would have done something to stop it because you hate it so much.
 - If you are believing God for healing, you need to hate evil, sickness, and disease.
 - iv) Poverty is evil. It is no good. Do not love poverty. We need hatred for poverty. Poverty came to steal, kill, and destroy.
- d) Job 1:1 "There was a man in the land of Us, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil."

- i) This text says that Job eschewed evil, which means he abstained or shunned evil." Just as we can't depart from something we do not hate, we won't truly abstain from something we do not hate because when we hate something, we lose the desire to participate in it.
 - Shunning evil leads to abstaining and departing from it.
- e) Isaiah 5:20 "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!"
 - i) As long as we do not develop or practice a hatred for evil and sin, we will end up calling evil good, and good evil. If we hate evil, we won't make the mistake of calling good evil and evil good.

How do I hate evil?

a) Fear of the Lord

If we want to walk in the hatred of evil, sin, sickness, poverty, and lawlessness, it starts with the fear of the Lord.

What is the fear of the Lord? To fear God is to worship God Deuteronomy 6:4 and Matthew 4, but it is also to depart and hate evil. If we are worshipping something else, we won't walk in the fear of the Lord which is to depart from evil.

It's what we learn to hate that we will not allow near us. If you have an ungodly company, one of the reasons is you do, is because you do not have a hatred for what they do.

b) Seek and Love Good

Amos 5:14-15"Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live: and so the Lord, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken. Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the Lord God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph."

- i) Seek good, how? By seeking God. God is a good God. When we seek God we are seeking good and loving good. In return we hate evil.
- ii) You can't just hate something. Period. You do that by loving something else—more These two verses instruct us to hate evil but not only that but go further and love the good. This would imply that it's not enough for us to hate evil, but we should move further and love the good.
 - Hating evil = fearing God = loving the good

- iii) Many people do not have a fear for the Lord because of their love for the things of this world. We can't love the world and love God at the same time. It's impossible. We need to choose one and give up on the other.
 - 1 John 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
 - "World" means "the ungodly multitude; the whole mass of men alienated from God, and therefore hostile to the cause of Christ" (Thayer's Definition)
- c) Love the Word

When we love the Word, we will hate evil and lying.

Psalm 119:163 "I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love."

- i) Here the Psalmist tells us he hates and detests lying but loved the Word of God. Loving the Word of God will produce hatred for sin and lying.
- ii) Those who do not know nor love the Word of God have no hatred for sin and the ungodliness that is going on in our society. If only people can fall in love with the Word of God, they would naturally develop a hatred for sin and ungodliness.
- iii) No love for the word = No hatred for sin and ungodliness.
- d) Be angry

Another way we can hate evil is by using our God-given ability to get angry. Everyone alive can get angry. This anger is supposed to be used toward evil, iniquity, poverty, sickness, and sin which leads to hatred for evil and iniquity. If we do not get angry, we will not walk in hatred for evil and ungodliness thereby giving place to the devil.

Make yourself throw up at evil and sin. Some stuff is disgusting, and we should not sit there and act as if it isn't.

Ephesians 4:26-27 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: Neither give place to the devil.

- i) James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil (Resist evil), and he will flee from you.
 - What you don't hate, and resist will kill you. Those who have no hatred for evil will not resist the devil.
 - You can't resist what you do not hate.

- Be angry at sin.
- ii) Jesus was angry at sin and made a whip and drove merchants out of the Temple. He did this twice (at the beginning and at the end).
 - John 2:14-17; Matthew 21:12-16; Mark 11:15-18; Luke 19:45-46.
- iii) Psalm 4:4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.
 - The word "awe" here means to be angry (see the NKJV, and the Amplified). This is talking about a godly anger as Ephesians 4:26-27.
 - If we aren't angry, we will sin, allow evil, iniquity and ungodliness. Anger is meant to fight against sin and evil and its author—Satan.

Conclusion:

I want to encourage and stir you up to hate sin, sickness, poverty, diseases, killing, destroying, disease, lying, cheating, adultery, and so forth. God hates evil, He hates iniquity and sin. Will you hate what God hates?

Call to action:

How many of you are saying I want to make a commitment to the Lord to start walking in hatred of evil, sin, iniquity, killing destruction, wickedness?

- It starts with a commitment. What you commit to the Lord, He is faithful to accomplish and bring to pass through you.
- Hear from God what specific areas you have not walked in hatred of evil and make adjustments.
- You need to practice a hatred of evil.