

GOD HATES IT ! DO YOU

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“The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the forward mouth, do I hate. Prov. 8:13.

Our world today seems to be seething in every country with hate towards other lands. Threats are everywhere and the Jews are hated by the Moslem countries. Iran can't wait to get the bomb and will use it in tribulation days I am sure. The Bible has much to say about love for others, and it is clear God wants us to love. However many verses in the Bible tell of things a Godly person must hate. Yes, I said hate. Further more if God hates it so should we without question or hesitation. Your love for God should cause you to hate what He hates. I would like to consider a few. **(1). Believers Should Hate Evil:** *“Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate.”* Amos 5:15a. Evil, the plague of sin, is present and even liked by sinners today. Entertainment in most forms presents evil as exciting stuff to watch on TV or read in a book. It lulls the participant to sleep as to the danger of it's presentation. In the eyes of God all evil should and will be destroyed at the judgment. Now you are harming yourself and your family by watching mans parade of the evil things, that anger God. Sadly, many Christian shake their heads and allow it to pervert their own kids and cheapen the family. Your relationship to God greatly depends on what you feast your eyes upon. As a man of God with 70 years of evangelism, I beg you to develop a family that hates evil in any form whatever. Sexy scenes, crime programs, with all the violence and profanity will destroy purity of heart. If Christ in a bodily form sat across the room would you allow what you do. I think not.. It is impossible to watch it and not be hurt by it. The Holy Spirit of God is deeply grieved as you soak up

your entertainment by the garbage pits of sin. Remember your real love for good can be measured by your hatred for evil. **(2). The Believer Is To Hate Ungodly Works.** *“I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.”* Psa. 101:3b. To a believer who enters the path of the Lord, there must be no turning aside to be a part of evil. The path of Christianity is strewn with backsliden, misdirected, hearers and see'ers, sitting on the edge of the cesspool of sin. There is so much good to be done to carry out God's plan for your life. He says that He hates it when you soil body and mind in foolish, evil attractions. The writer in Psalms says all the evil stuff shall not stick to me. Every Godly teen must not stand in the splash zones of evil. Your whole future use by God depends on the purity of life, and practice that you learn. Walk away from temptation offered for drinking, smoking, drugs, sexual perversion, and all that God calls evil. Be able to say in Christ, I will not let its evils stick to me. What you avoid now will allow God to use you greater in His plan. Sometimes church members go far astray and God hates the damage they do to His church. Don't side with them but pray for them to return to the path of holiness. **(3). The Believer Is To Hate Every False Way:** *“Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.”* Psm. 119:104. The whole world seems to be filled with false ways. The usual cults swirl around our neighborhood, deceiving thousands and sliding them ever nearer to hell. Any religious reference on TV is watered down and seldom contains any truth. Our government is shrinking away from truth in fact working to level all religions to be equal, with no effect on our national problems. Washington is full of corruption and our freedoms are being destroyed. The atheist crowd is spending millions to remove God from our nations public life. The sacredness of marriage is being attacked with every phase of perversion toward

same sex marriage. One only needs to look at how God hated Sodom as they reveled in their perversions. Understand our God hates immoral actions of so many that demand the rest of us to be quiet. Sadly, thousands of ministers don't have the guts to warn about what God hates, and calls evil. Some courts already refuse the Bible to be used in trials, and the truth is being replaced by the lies of sinful men. We must be kind to those trapped in evil, loving their soul, but hating the garment spotted by the flesh. One day the God of truth will separate all liars into Hell. Truly He hates every false way and so should we. **(4) Believers Are To Hate Vain Thoughts:** *"I hate vain thoughts; but: thy law do I love. Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word. Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God."* Psa. 119:113 -115. Every false religion is propagated with vain and false thoughts. All that appears religious is not necessarily pleasing to God, and truly helpful to the worshiper. One can still count beads, light candles, repeat prayers, spin prayer wheels, bow to the floor, take communion, be baptized and these practices all be in vain. There is no evidence that any of these vain actions offer any sure hope to the soul. No wonder God hates the confusion of all these man made thoughts to please Him. Keeping the law of God by faith, through personal relationship to Christ as one's Lord and Saviour, is clearly the only thing that is eternal, guaranteed by God, and there is salvation in no other. Every man made scaffold to bring man closer to God is vain in the eyes of our creator. Only God's law fulfilled by His Son is able to guarantee salvation. Don't be trapped in the vain thoughts of man, that deny that Christ is the only way of redemption. He was, He is, and always will be, the only true way to be sure of Heaven. All else is vain. **(5) Believers Are To Hate Lying:** *"I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love. Seven times a day do I praise*

thee because of thy righteous judgments. Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them. " Psa. 119: 163-165. No one who is a true person of charity can love false doctrine which has misled millions straight into Hell. Our world today thinks nothing of lying if it helps them fulfill their personal greed and desire. Children are not taught its dangers, and teens think it is "cool". Being a liar will destroy your future, ruin your present and destroy the trust which others have in you. You may wrongfully think lying will help your cause but it will be revealed in full at the judgment of the Lord. **(6) Believers Are To Hate The Stubborn Or Contrary Mouth:** *"The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the forward mouth, do I hate."* Prov. 8:13. Words can be like a salve of blessing, or sharp darts of evil. Stubborn and contrary mouths are all busy a few weeks before election time. Even in church one has to be very careful of words and the effect they will have. Gossip has hindered many a church, wounded opposing members, and hindered the work of God. My Godly mother taught me as a child, "If you can't say something good about a person then say nothing." We are all known by our words and the attitude which is behind them. Sadly, many who used to go to church were wounded by careless words, which become their excuse for not coming back. Choose your words carefully and prayerfully so that God will not hate the effect they have on others. We need to stop, think, and use our mouth in a God pleasing way. My time is finished, so I must close even though there are a number of other things that God hates. I wish I had time to major in what God loves. Perhaps another time. *"Beloved let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love."* I John 4:7&8. God help us to major in what He loves instead of what He hates.