

Seven Things That God Hates

“Feet Swift In Running To Mischief”

(Proverbs 6:16-19)

- Introduction:
1. Often times people are surprised when one speaks of “God hating” anything.
 2. However, Scripture is full of things that God hates.
 3. Hatred, itself is not sinful, but rather the object of one’s hated is what can be sinful.
 4. We sometimes need to be reminded that God is both good and severe (Romans 11:22).

I. The Sin Defined

- A. There is a distinction to be made in one who stumbles due to weakness and one who revels in sin.
- B. (Proverbs 11:27) “He who earnestly seeks good finds favor, But trouble will come to him who seeks evil.”
- C. God is patient with us as we stumble, but those who throw restraint to the wind, are those who are condemned in this passage.
- D. If only we were as swift to doing good as we are to doing evil.
- E. (Exodus 23:2) “You shall not follow a crowd to do evil...”.
- F. (Luke 15:11-32) The parable of the Prodigal Son.

II. How To Overcome Sin

- A. Resist the Devil.
 1. (James 4:6) “Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.”
- B. Follow the impulses of the Spirit rather than the flesh.
 1. (Galatians 5:17) “For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.”
- C. Meditate upon God’s word.
 1. (Psalm 119:97,11) Oh, how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day...Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You!”
- D. Pray.

(Matthew 6:13) “...And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one....”

- Conclusion:
1. Let’s stand against the current. Let’s refuse to run with the crowd.
 2. If we occasionally stray, as we will, and our feet take us from the will of God, repent and run back to him, and you’ll find that he’ll run to meet you.

