

Seven Things That God Hates

“He Who Sows Discord Among Brethren”

(Proverbs 6:16-19)

- Introduction:
1. In this lesson we now come to the final item that God lists in his list of seven things he hates.
 2. The last matter that is mentioned in this passage in Proverbs is “he who sows discord among Brethren.”
 3. Let’s examine together why it is that God hates this action.

I. The Need For Unity

- A. (John 17:20-21) So that the world might believe.
- B. (Matthew 12:25) So that we can succeed.
- C. (Acts 6:1-8) So that we can do the work we are called to do.
- D. (Ephesians 4:1-3) Do we try hard enough?

II. Why Some Sow Discord

- A. They’re more interested in their own agenda than the Lord’s.
 1. Pride won’t allow them to back up.
 2. (Philippians 2:3-4).
- B. They are bored.
 1. An idle mind is the Devil’s playground.
 2. Either we’ll work constructively, or we’ll find something destructive to do.
 3. (Matthew 20:1-16).
- C. Some have simply failed to put develop the mind of Christ.
 1. (Philippians 2:5-8).
 2. (Ephesians 4:31-32).

III. What Should We Do With One Who Sows Discord?

- A. Pray, bless, and do good to them (Matthew 5:43-45).
 1. Hopefully, this will shame the person (Romans 12:20-21).
- B. Make sure you don’t allow yourself to be drug down to his level.
 1. (Hebrews 13:1) Let brotherly love continue.
- C. Avoid such a person.
 1. (Romans 16:17).
 2. (Titus 3:10-11).
 3. (1 Timothy 3:19).

- Conclusion:
1. Brethren, let us endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
 2. May we never find ourselves fighting against God, ignoring the welfare of the body of Christ, to pursue an agenda or to satisfy our pride.
 3. May we work together in peace, to the end that the world might be saved, and

God will be glorified.