

"Things God Loves & Hates"

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Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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Proverbs 6:12-19

BIG IDEA: Our passions should align with God's.

*"How priceless your faithful love is, God!
People take refuge in the shadow of your wings."
Psalm 36:7 (CSB)*

*"The LORD hates six things;
in fact, seven are detestable to Him..."
Proverbs 6:16 (CSB)*



Things God hates.

- Prideful arrogance.
- Not telling the truth.
- Acts of murder.
- Devising evil plans.
- Acting out evil intent.
- Bringing false testimony.
- Divisive troublemakers.
- Some "miscellaneous" items for consideration:



Things God loves.

- God loves sinners.
- God loves justice and righteousness.
- God loves those who do His will.
- God loves those who love others.



So what am I going to do about it?

- We must think rightly of God and ourselves.
- God's LOVE and HATE are the direct inseparable consequence of His HOLINESS.
- To be like God is to love what God loves.
- To be like God is to hate what God hates.
- God's love compels us to call sinners to repentance and reconciliation.

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THINK: Reflect on the things God loves and hates, and then ask yourself these questions: *How can God simultaneously love and hate? Why? Of the seven things mentioned in v16-19, why are these particularly such an affront to God? How do we know God loves those who do things He hates? Does God love some people more than others? Why or why not? What hope do we have to know and do the love of God?*

DO: How do you measure up to Solomon's checklist in v16-19? How would your closest friend rate you against this list? Give your attention to improving in one of these areas this week. Identify one person you can demonstrate God's love toward this week.