

# Bible Hate!

**TEXT: 1 John 4:8; Prov. 6:16**

## **INTRODUCTION:**

- A. HATE IS A 4 LETTER WORD.
  1. We teach our children not to use it.
  2. We are rightly ashamed when we feel hatred.
  3. It is a Bible word, and there is a Bible idea of hate.
- B. GOD HATES (**Psa. 5:4-5**).
- C. THERE ARE THINGS THAT WE MUST HATE (**Psa. 97:10**).

## **I. THE MEANING OF HATE IN ITS CONTEXTS.**

- A. **MALICIOUS AND UNJUST FEELINGS TOWARD OTHERS.**
  1. Always wrong (**1 John 2:11; 3:15**).
  2. Wrong to be hateful or plot against (**Gen. 50:15; Titus 3:3**).
  3. **A measure of our love for God**, not of their worthiness (**1 John 4:20-21**).
- B. **RELATIVE PREFERENCE FOR ONE THING OVER ANOTHER.**
  1. **Rom. 9:13**. Did God hate Esau?
  2. **Matt. 6:24**. Cannot serve two masters.
  3. Things we are to hate:
    - a. Physical things in relation to spiritual blessing (**Mark 8:36; John 12:25**).
    - b. **Eph. 5:25**. Our physical relations (**Luke 14:26; Matt. 10:34-37**).
- C. **AN AVERSION TO WHAT IS EVIL, INCLUDING ERROR.**
  1. We must hate **every false way** (**Psa. 119:104, 128, 163**).
  2. We are to hate **sin** (**Prov. 8:13; Psa, 97:10; Amos 5:15**).
    - a. In the lives of others (**Rev. 2:6; Jude 22-23; Psa. 101:3**).
    - b. In our own lives (**Rom. 7:15**).
  3. We must abstain from even the appearance of evil (**2 Tim. 2:22; 1 Thess. 5:21**).
  4. We must expose and stand up against sin (**Eph. 5:11**).
  5. Always right.

## **II. THINGS WHICH GOD HATES.**

- A. IDOLATRY (**Jer. 44:2-6; Deut. 12:31**).
- B. HYPOCRITICAL WORSHIP (**Amos 5:21-24**).
- C. **Psalm 5:4-5**. WORKERS OF INIQUITY (**Hos. 9:15**).
- D. DIVORCE (**Mal. 2:16**).
- E. 7 THINGS (**Prov. 6:16-19**).

## **III. THAT WHICH GOD HATES WE ARE TO HATE (Rom. 12:9).**

- A. DAVID'S EXAMPLE (**Psa. 119:104**).
- B. **1 John 4:1, 6**. WE MUST TEST THE SPIRITS.
  1. Why? We hate error!
  2. What is wrong with it? (**Matt. 15:14**).
  3. Where is our authority? (**2 John 9-11; Prov. 16:25**).
- C. OUR EQUIPMENT IS PICTURED AS ARMOR! WARFARE!
  1. **Phil. 1:17**. Paul was **set for the defense of the gospel**.
  2. The example of Stephen (**Acts 6:9-10**).

- D. A TEST OF LOYALTY (**Psa. 97:10; Rom. 12:9**).
1. Sin is against GOD (**2 Sam. 12:9-10; Psa. 51:4**).
  2. Only one master (**Matt. 6:24**).
  3. We must choose (**1 Kings 18:21; Matt. 10:37; 1 John 2:15**).

## LOYALTY IS THE ISSUE!

### **CONCLUSION:**

- A. WHY DON'T MEN HATE EVIL? THEY DON'T LOVE GOD ENOUGH (**Psa. 97:10**).
- B. WE MUST HATE SIN TO AVOID IT.
- C. **TRUE DISCIPLES WILL HATE WHAT GOD HATES.**