



Today's Message

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Title: *Holy Love, Holy Hate*

Text: Proverbs 6:16–19 (ESV)

¹⁶ There are six things that the LORD hates,
seven that are an abomination to him:
¹⁷ haughty eyes, a lying tongue,
and hands that shed innocent blood,
¹⁸ a heart that devises wicked plans,
feet that make haste to run to evil,
¹⁹ a false witness who breathes out lies,
and one who sows discord among brothers.

Introduction: In the opening verses of Proverbs 6, Solomon warned his son against three kinds of fools: the debtor (6:1-5), the lazy man (6:6-11), and the troublemaker (6:12-16). His description of the troublemaker flows into a list that describes the kind of things that God hates. This is not an arbitrary list of random sins; they strike at the very nature of God and attempt to cast off his authority. Solomon's point, clearly implied, is that the wise hate the things God hates. Or to put it another way, they follow the path of wisdom marked by the opposite of the things we find in this terrible list.

Today's take-home truth: The LORD hates with perfect hatred and loves with perfect love.

I. The LORD hates with perfect hatred. 16

**II. The LORD hates every disruption of his perfect image.
17-19**

- A. The proud man grasps for the LORD's authority.
- B. The liar disdains the LORD's truth.
- C. The violent murderer attacks the LORD's image-bearer.
- D. The wicked schemer opposes LORD's goodness.
- E. The evil zealot despises the LORD's righteousness.
- F. The perjurer undermines the LORD's justice.
- G. The troublemaker disrupts the LORD's fellowship.