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Hate Pt 2 God & His children hate sin

This is our second study on the word "hate". In our first teaching we established three points from the scriptures-(i) The heathen are hateful, and hate one another, (ii) the wicked hate instruction, and (iii) The heathen do not like to retain God in their knowledge, they hate God. In this study we cover another three points- (i) The Lord hates wickedness, (ii) specifically six things God hates, seven are an abomination, and (iii) God's children are to hate sin.

It is from our search of the scripture that we establish our three points-

1. The Lord hates wickedness

"Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows" (Ps.45: 7). See also Ps.5: 4.

2. There are six things the Lord hates, seven are an abomination

"These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination...A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood. An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief. A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren" (Prov.6: 16-19).

3. God's children are to hate sin: example: David hated every false way "Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way" (Ps.119: 104). See also Ps.119:128

Illustration

Over the past 10 years the plumb-line of good and evil has seriously deteriorated as governments around the world have legitimised what was previously sin. When the main church denominations turned away from the Holy scriptures to accept corrupt copies they opened the door to changing their interpretation to suit their lusts, and now many denominations accept the same evil as the world, by calling it good.

Questions of the scriptures

How can a person that calls themselves a Christian accept their sin, whether it be sodomy, lying, stealing or hating his brother?

Answers from the scriptures

Perhaps they are not Christian, perhaps they are wolves in "sheep's clothing", and have never been made into a new creature, nor baptised into the body by the Spirit. IF they are saved then –

* they heap to themselves "teachers, having itching ears", their teachers accept sin "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables" (2 Tim.4:3 & 4). * They hate instruction

"But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or that thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth? Seeing thou hatest instruction, and castest my words behind thee" (Ps.50:16 & 17).

* They have NO fear of the Lord- "The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate" (Prov.8: 13).

Let us remember that sin is transgression of the law, to know to do good and not to do so is sin. We can call it good but it is still sin. Let us hate sin, fear God and depart from wickedness. Putting a difference between the clean and the unclean, always dying to the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. Hate every sin!