



# Character of the Wicked

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**What they do**

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- **Persecute the poor**

- Psalms 10:2

- <sup>2</sup> The wicked in *his* pride persecutes the poor; Let them be caught in the plots which they have devised.**

# What They Do

- **Bless the greedy and renounce the Lord**
  - Psalms 10:3
    - <sup>3</sup> For the wicked boasts of his heart's desire; He **blesse**s the greedy *and* renounces the **Lord**.

# What They Do

- **Mouth is full of cursing and deceit**
  - Psalms 10:7
    - <sup>7</sup> His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and oppression; Under his tongue is trouble and iniquity.**

# What They Do

- **Murder the innocent**

- Psalms 10:8

- <sup>8</sup> He sits in the lurking places of the villages; In the secret places he **murders the innocent;** **His eyes are secretly fixed on the helpless.**



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# Why they do it - Attitude

- **He doesn't need God**

- Psalms 10:4, 6

- “The wicked in his proud countenance **does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts.** (v. 4) ...He has said in his heart, “I shall not be moved; I shall never be in adversity.”

# Why they do it - Attitude

- **“God won’t see their sins”**
  - Psalms 10:11
  - “He has said in his heart, “God has forgotten; He hides His face; **He will never see.**”

# Why they do it - Attitude

- **“God won’t hold them accountable”**
  - Psalm 10:13
    - “Why do the wicked renounce God? He has said in his heart, **“You will not require an account.”**”

# Same Thing Today

- Poor abused
- Bless the greedy and renounce the Lord
- Cursing
- Murder
  - Little regard for human life
  - Abortion
  - Drunk driving (Alcoholic and drugs)

# Why We See Same Thing Today

- The attitude toward God
  - “Don’t need God”
  - “God won’t see their sins”
  - “God won’t hold them accountable

# What about us?

- **Is God in our thoughts as we treat others?**

- **Micah 6:8**

<sup>8</sup> He has shown you, O man, what *is* good; And what does the LORD require of you But to **do justly**, To **love mercy**, And to **walk humbly with your God?**

# Is God in our thoughts as we treat others?

- **Matthew 22:37-40**
  - <sup>37</sup> Jesus said to him, " **'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.'**
  - <sup>38</sup> "This is *the* first and great commandment.
  - <sup>39</sup> "And *the* second is like it: **'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'**

# Is God in our thoughts as we treat others?

## ◦ Romans 13:8-10

- Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.
- <sup>9</sup> For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet," and if *there is* any other commandment, are *all* summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- <sup>10</sup> Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love *is* the fulfillment of the law.

# Is God in our thoughts as we treat others?

- **Galatians 6:10**

- <sup>10</sup>Therefore, as we have opportunity, **let us do good to all**, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

## Is God in our thoughts as we treat others?

- **Ephesians 4:28**  
<sup>28</sup> Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with *his* hands what is good, **that he may have something to give him who has need.**

## Is God in our thoughts as we treat others?

- **James 1:27**

<sup>27</sup> Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: **to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, *and* to keep oneself unspotted from the world.**

# **Do we think we can hide sin?**

- **Remember the sin of Ananias & Sapphira**
- **Remember that God sees all**
- **Remember our conscience**

# No Judgment for us?

- **God's timetable is different from ours**
  - **2 Peter 3:8**

But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord **one day is as a thousand years**, and a thousand years as one day.

# No Judgment for us?

- **All will appear before the judgment seat of Christ**
  - **2 Corinthians 5:10**  
For we must **all appear before the judgment seat of Christ**, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

# No Judgment for us?

- **We'll give account for every idle word**
  - **Matthew 12:37**  
For **by your words** you will be justified,  
and by your words you will be  
condemned."

# Judged

- **For the way we treat others**
  - **Matthew 25:31-41**

"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. ..

# Conclusion

**If God hates the action and attitude of the wicked, and He does, will He not hate our actions and attitude if we do the same and have the same attitude?**