

“LOVER OF GOOD” #2

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Hate evil

- Proverbs 6:16-19 (NKJV)

These six *things* the LORD hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:

A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood,

A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil,

A false witness *who* speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.

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- **Isaiah 5:20 (NKJV)**

- 20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; Who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

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- **Example: Paul with Mark**

- 2 Timothy 4:11 (NKJV)

- Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for ministry.

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Are Hospitable

- Titus 1:8 (NKJV)
but hospitable, a lover of what is good, sober-minded, just, holy, self-controlled,
- **III.:**
 - **Mary and Martha (Lk. 10:38-42)**
 - **Not just to friends (Luke 14:12-14)**

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Are Impartial

- 8 If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF," you do well;
- 9 but if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.
- **III. Putting people in one basket**

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Encourage

- 1 Thess. 5:14 (NKJV)
 - 14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn those who are unruly, comfort the fainthearted, uphold the weak, be patient with all.
- **III. Barnabas helping Paul (Acts 9:26-27)**

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Care

- **Care enough to seek their welfare**
 - Tell them about Jesus (Jn. 12:21-22)
 - Seek the unfaithful (Jas. 5:19-20)
 - Care for their physical needs (Phil. 2:25-30)

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Forgive

- Eph. 4:32 (NKJV)
 - 32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.
- **III.: Story of a king (Mt 18:21-25)**