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Can Hate Be Good?

A simple definition of hate in the Bible is: **Hate is a judgment that implies hostility.**

Hate is good when it is directed against those who hate God.

There are times and situations where it is inappropriate to not hate. It is wrong to not hate evil and Satan's evil world system.

Psalm 97:10 *Hate evil, you who love the LORD, Who preserves the souls of His godly ones.*

Ecclesiastes 3:8 [There is] *A time to love and a time to hate.*

Amos 5:15 *Hate evil, love good, and establish justice in the gate!*

Jude 23 *...save others, snatching them out of the fire; and on some have mercy with fear, hating even the garment polluted by the flesh.*

Ephesians 6:11 *Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil.*

It's good to hate lying.

Psalm 119:128 *Therefore I esteem right all Your precepts concerning everything, I hate every false way.*

Psalm 119:163 *I hate and despise falsehood, But I love Your law.*

Proverbs 6:16-19 *There are six things which the LORD hates, yes, seven which are an abomination to Him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that run rapidly to evil, a false witness who utters lies, and one who spreads strife among brothers.*

Proverbs 26:28 *A lying tongue hates those it crushes, and a flattering mouth works ruin.*

John 8:44 *The devil...is a liar and the father of lies.*

It's good to hate "life in this world."

Ecclesiastes 2:17 *So I hated life, for the work which had been done under the sun was grievous to me; because everything is futility and striving after wind.*

Ecclesiastes 2:18 *Thus I hated all the fruit of my labor for which I had labored under the sun.*

John 12:25 *He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it to life eternal.*

It's good to hate pride.

Proverbs 8:13 *The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; pride and arrogance and the evil way and the perverted mouth, I hate.*

It's good to hate false religions.

Psalm 31:6 *I hate those who regard vain idols, but I trust in the LORD.*

Matthew 23:13 *"But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, because you shut off the kingdom of heaven from people; for you do not enter in yourselves, nor do you allow those who are entering to go in."*

Revelation 2:6 *"Yet this you do have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate."*

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