

**Proverbs 6:16-19** 

 There is no question about the sacrifices made by Jesus Christ in behalf of sinful humanity to pay for their sins.

In the Book of Proverbs we read:

"Six Things the Lord Hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:"

~ Proverbs 6:16

- When we say that God "hates" we are never talking about people, or even the devil (nowhere in the Bible do we ever read that God hates Satan)
- Instead we are talking about Sin, the actions that are contrary to the Will of God.
- To say God hates sin <u>is a 100% Biblically accurate</u> statement.

• To say that something is an "Abomination" תוֹעֶבָה (toeba) to God literally means that it is:

"a detestable or reprehensive thing; A person or actions that are morally or religiously offensive, especially to God."

Thus Idolatry or choosing to worship false gods over the One True God is an abomination to God:

You shall burn the carved images of their gods with fire; you shall not covet the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it for yourselves, lest you be snared by it; for it is an abomination to the LORD your God. Nor shall you bring an abomination into your house, lest you be doomed to destruction like it. You shall utterly detest it and utterly abhor it, for it is an accursed thing.

~ **Deuteronomy 7:25-26** 

- The list we are presented with here in Proverbs is said to be abominable to God and hated by Him.
- 1. A Proud Look
- 2. A Lying Tongue
- 3. Hands That Shed Innocent Blood
- 4. A Heart that Devises Wicked Plans
- 5. Feet That Are Swift To Evil
- 6. A False Witness Who Speaks Lies
- 7. One Who Sows Discord Among Brethren

- What is so fascinating about these seven things is that each and every one of them was suffered by Jesus Christ.
- He suffered these things throughout His life, ministry, and in death.
- This morning let us examine each of these elements under the microscope of the New Testament to see what Christ endured for us.

### A Proud Look



- Pride is by nature competitive in an unhealthy way.
- Jesus took away the power, adoration, and unquestionable respect that the Pharisees received.
- Not because He wanted it, but because they were ungodly and these things were not theirs, but God's:

"And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward... And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

~ Matthew 6:5, 7

Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.

~ Matthew 6:15

 Some of the greatest examples of the sinful pride faced by Christ during his ministry comes from the Pharisees

But now you seek to kill Me, a Man who has told you the truth which I heard from God. Abraham did not do this. You do the deeds of your father." Then they said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father—God."

~ John 8:40-41

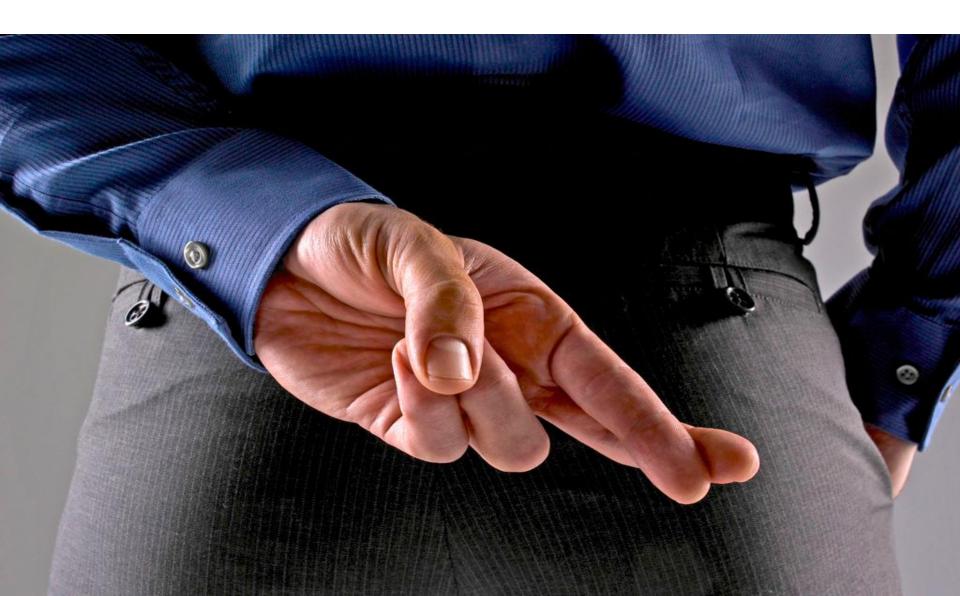
And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!" But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons."

~ Matthew 9:33-34

**Pride** *goes* before destruction, And a haughty spirit before a fall.

~ **Proverbs 16:18** 

## A LYING TONGUE



Jesus' told the Pharisees who their Father truly was:

You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.

~ John 8:44

 They even lied about Him after He had risen from the dead:

When they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers, saying, "Tell them, 'His disciples came at night and stole Him away while we slept.' And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will appease him and make you secure."

~ Matthew 28:12-14

#### HANDS THAT SHED INNOCENT BLOOD



 Several New Testament Authors confirm that Christ had never sinned:

He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

~ 2 Corinthians 5:21

For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.

~ Hebrews 4:15

You know that He appeared in order to take away sins; and in Him there is no sin.

~ 1 John 3:5

Judas Iscariot betrayed Christ for 30 pieces of silver, and as he mourned his decision we read:

Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, "I HAVE SINNED BY BETRAYING INNOCENT BLOOD." And they said, "What is that to us? You see to it!"

~ Matthew 27:3-4

# Feet Swift To Evil 3 Hearts Devising Wicked Plans



 Plotting and executing evil plans were all the Jews seemed to be interested in doing to Christ.

- Plotted how they might destroy Him (Matthew 12:14).

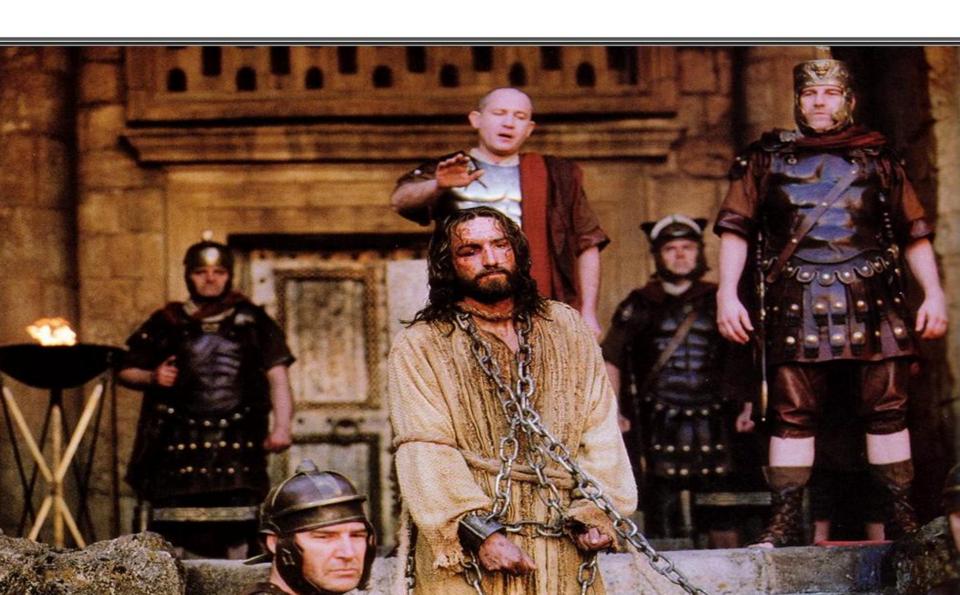
 Plotted how they might entangle Him in His teachings (Matthew 22:15)

 Plotted how to take Jesus by tricking Him and Killing Him (Matthew 26:4; 27:1)

 Plotted with the Herodians how they might destroy Him (Mark 3:6)

 Planned to Kill Jesus and Lazarus whom Jesus Raised from the dead (John 12:10)

#### **False Witness Who Speaks Lies**



 False Witnesses came during Jesus' trial in order to convict Him of blasphemy and sentence Him to death:

Now the chief priests, the elders, and all the council sought false testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, but found none. Even though many false witnesses came forward, they found none. But at last two false witnesses came forward and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.' " And the high priest arose and said to Him, "Do You answer nothing? (continued)

What is it these men testify against You?" But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, "I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!" Jesus said to him, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven." Then the high priest tore his clothes, saying, "He has spoken blasphemy! What further need do we have of witnesses? Look, now you have heard His blasphemy! ~ Matthew 26:59-65

 Telling lies, among other things, is dangerous for our souls:

But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and **all liars** shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

~ Revelation 21:8

#### **One Who Sows Discord Among Brethren**



Problems with the Apostles

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask." And He said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" They said to Him, "Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory." ... And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John.

~ Mark 10:35-37, 41

Then He came to Capernaum. And when He was in the house He asked them, "What was it you disputed among yourselves on the road?" But they kept silent, for on the road they had disputed among themselves who would be the greatest. And He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all."

~ Mark 9:33-35

- Judas allowed his Greed to become a means of discord and betrayal.

Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?" And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver. So from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him.

~ Matthew 26:14-16

 All sin comes from the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (1 John 2:16)

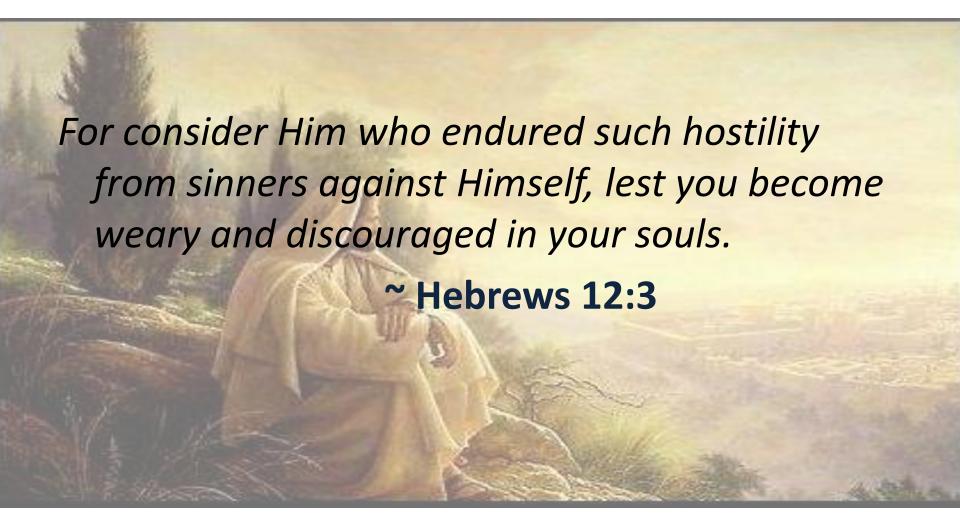
 Jesus endured each and every one of the abominations listed in Proverbs 6:16-19.

 Can it not still be argued that as these abominations are committed today that they are ultimately still being committed against Christ?

 Not only did Christ endure these abominations that ultimately led Him to the cross.

 He bore them so that ultimately people might repent and find the forgiveness of their sins.

#### **After All That Christ Has Done For Us?**



Can't we leave behind our sins and follow Him?