

Proverbs 6:16-19

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**7**

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# PROVERBS 6:16-19 (NKJV)

<sup>16</sup> These six *things* the Lord hates, Yes, seven *are* an abomination to Him: <sup>17</sup> A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood, <sup>18</sup> A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil, <sup>19</sup> A false witness *who* speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## THE WICKED MAN OF 12-15

Walks with a perverse mouth;

He winks with his eyes,

He shuffles his feet

He points with his fingers

Perversity is in his heart

He devises evil continually

He sows discord



<sup>15</sup> Therefore his calamity shall come suddenly; Suddenly he shall be broken without remedy.



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A NUMERICAL PROVERB



- The six ... seven pattern is also used in Job 5:19, and a similar pattern of other numbers plus one is used in Proverbs 30:15–16, 18–19, 21–31.
- The purpose is not to give a complete list / A mode of speaking to get attention - The idiom is intended to produce a cumulative effect. - cf. Job 5:19; Amos 1:3 - 2:1



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## “ABOMINATION”

*(absolutely repugnant)*



- Used of idols - (2 Ki. 23:13).
- Practices derived from idolatry, - (2 Ki. 16:3),
- Magic and divination (Dt. 18:9–14).
- Unlawful sacrifices offered to Yahweh - (Pr. 15:8; Is. 1:13).
- Homosexual sin (Lev. 18:22).
- ‘Diverse weights’ - (Pr. 20:23.).



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

- God hates “A proud look.” - (i.e., haughty eyes - KJV)
- Not merely the look but the attitude - cf. 8:13; 30:13; Pss. 18:27; 101:5) - (I’m superior, smarter, better, more important ...)





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

Psalm 10:4 (NKJV)

<sup>4</sup> The wicked in his  
proud countenance  
does not seek God;  
God is in none of his  
thoughts.





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

Isaiah 3:9 (NKJV)

<sup>9</sup> The look on their  
countenance witnesses  
against them, And they declare  
their sin as Sodom; They do  
not hide it. Woe to their soul!  
For they have brought evil  
upon themselves.





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

Proverbs 8:13 (NKJV)

<sup>13</sup> The fear of the Lord is  
to hate evil; Pride and  
arrogance and the evil  
way And the perverse  
mouth I hate.





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

- The sin of pride is at the heart of all disobedience and rebellion against God -
  - Nebuchadnezzar - (Dan 4:29-33).
  - Praying Pharisee, - (Luke 18:9-14),
  - Herod Agrippa I - (Acts 12:23).
  - Eve; Cain; Babel; Ahab; Judas; false teachers ... Satan & his angels (cf. 2 Pet 2; Jude 4-16)





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

Proverbs 29:23 (NKJV)

<sup>23</sup> A man's pride will bring him low, But the humble in spirit will retain honor.

Luke 14:11 (NKJV)

11 For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

James 4:6–10 (NKJV)

<sup>6</sup> But He gives more grace.

Therefore He says: “God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.” <sup>7</sup> Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A PROUD LOOK

James 4:6–10 (NKJV)

Cleanse your hands, you sinners;  
and purify your hearts, you double-  
minded. <sup>9</sup> Lament and mourn and  
weep! Let your laughter be turned  
to mourning and your joy to gloom.  
<sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves in the sight of  
the Lord, and He will lift you up.





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A LYING TONGUE



- Lying is the willful perversion of the truth with the evil intent to deceive.
- The sin is committed mainly with the mouth, but also when by any other means a false impression is deliberately conveyed.



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A LYING TONGUE



- Society - (Government; politics; Business; entertainment industry; portrayed lifestyle)
- Education - (cheating; what is taught; athletics)
- Home - (lies; deception)
- Religion - (False teaching; lying about others; scheming)



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A LYING TONGUE

Proverbs 12:19–22 (NKJV)

<sup>19</sup> The truthful lip shall be established forever, But a lying tongue is but for a moment. <sup>20</sup>

Deceit is in the heart of those who devise evil, But counselors of peace have joy. ... <sup>22</sup> Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, But those who deal truthfully are His delight.





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A LYING TONGUE



- Lying is hated by God because he is the TRUE (Ps 5:6; 120:3-4).
- Satan is the father of Lies - John 8:44; Gen 3:1-6
- Just as a lie led to Adam & Eve losing the garden of Eden, many will lose heaven because of lies told & believed - Rev 21:8; 2 Thes 1:10-12; Rom 8:18,25 ...



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A LYING TONGUE

Ephesians 4:22–25 (NKJV)

<sup>22</sup> that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, ... <sup>25</sup>

Therefore, putting away lying, “Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,” for we are members of one another.





# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## HANDS THAT SHED INNOCENT BLOOD

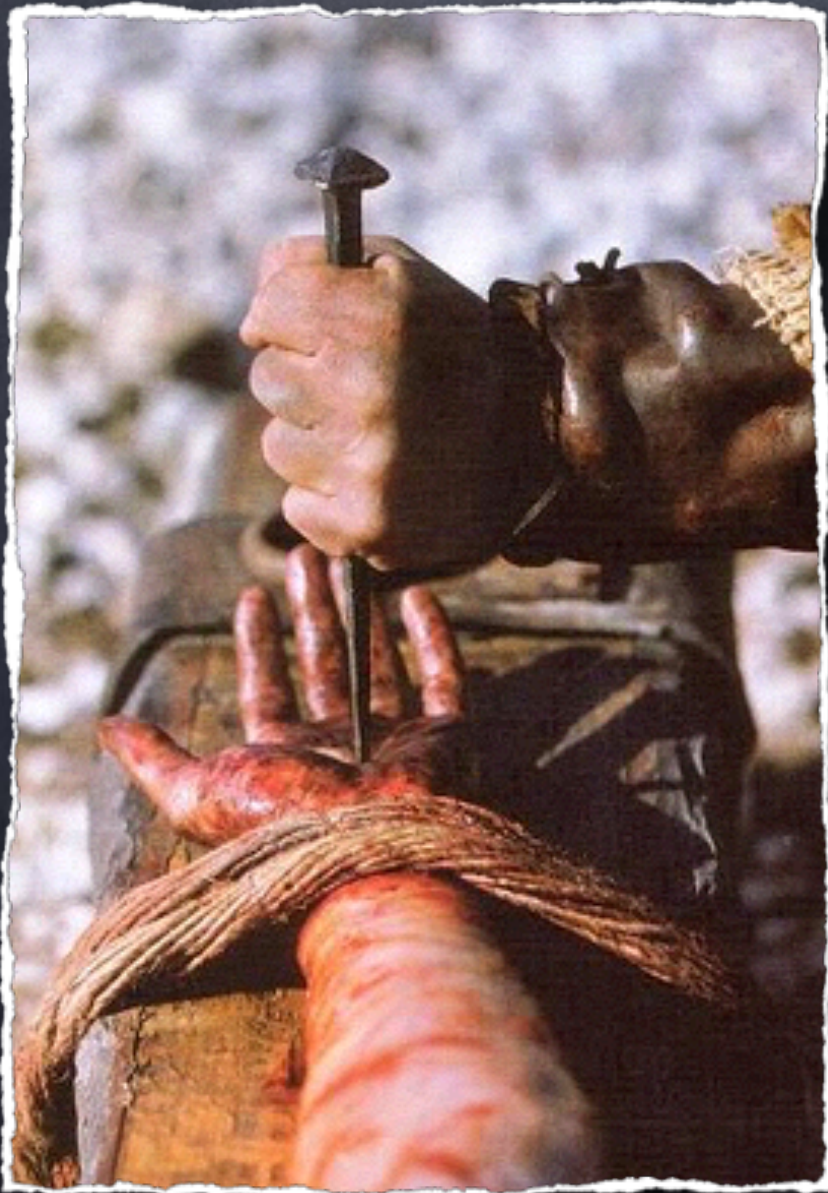


- Murder (not legal execution) - Exo. 20:13; Deut 27:25; Gen 9:6
- Manasseh - 2 Kings 21:6; 24:3,4
- The Jewish leadership, people & Pilate crucified Jesus - Mat 27:20-25
- The death of the innocent cries to heaven for vengeance and triggers the ultimate judgment from the Lord (Gen 4:10; 6:17).



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## HANDS THAT SHED INNOCENT BLOOD



- Our streets are filled with blood -
  - Murder of innocent children - over 56 million since 1973 -
  - Hatred / drugs / greed / violence / poverty / terrorism ...  
(9,741 homicides from 1/1/2016 - 7/30/2016 - 4:20 pm)
- WHY? Could it be because God's influence has been diminished?



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A HEART THAT DEVISES WICKED PLANS



- The reference is to schemes which harm or humiliate another (v. 14a; 3:29).
- A person must not allow his mind to become the Devil's workshop. - (Prov 4:23)
- Implicit here is God knows those secret thoughts. - (Heb 4:13; Prov 15:3)



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## FEET THAT ARE SWIFT IN RUNNING TO EVIL



- God hates “feet that are swift in running (lit., hurrying to run) to evil” (cf. Isa 59:7; Rom 3:15).
- Those easily persuaded to join the crowd to do evil - (1:16; Ex 23:2; Gal 2:11-13)
- If God hates the evil plans, he also hates the implementation of those plans (6:18).



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## A FALSE WITNESS WHO SPEAKS LIES



- God hates “a false witness who breathes out lies” (cf. Exod 20:16; 19:5; Mat 15:19; 26:59-64).
- Perjury may be employed to ruin the innocent or to free the guilty.
- Perjury destroys any possibility of justice, and thus the very foundations of society.



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## ONE WHO SOWS DISCORD AMONG BRETHREN



- The words “among brethren” underscore the diabolical nature of this sin which destroys the harmony and unity of those who ought to live together in brotherly affection. - 16:18; 26:20; Ps 133:1
- Being at peace requires effort - Eph 4:1-6; 2 Ti. 2:23; Ja. 3:14-16, 18



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

## ONE WHO SOWS DISCORD AMONG BRETHREN



Romans 12:18 (NKJV)

<sup>18</sup> If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

Romans 14:19 (NKJV)

<sup>19</sup> Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another.



# SEVEN ABOMINATIONS

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Hands shed innocent blood



Heart devises wicked plans



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A HUMBLE look



A lying tongue,



An HONEST tongue,



Hands shed innocent blood



Hands that HEAL / HELP



Heart devises wicked plans



Heart devises GODLY plans



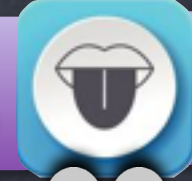
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Feet swift in running to GOOD



False witness speaking lies,



TRUE / HONEST witness,



He sows discord



He sows PEACE



## PROVERBS 15:8-9 (NKJV)

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# PROVERBS 15:1-9 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup> A soft answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger. <sup>2</sup> The tongue of the wise uses knowledge rightly, But the mouth of fools pours forth foolishness. <sup>3</sup> The eyes of the Lord *are* in every place, Keeping watch on the evil and the good. <sup>4</sup> A wholesome tongue *is* a tree of life, But perverseness in it breaks the spirit.



# PROVERBS 15:1-9 (NKJV)

<sup>5</sup> A fool despises his father's instruction, But he who receives correction is prudent. <sup>6</sup> *In* the house of the righteous *there is* much treasure, But in the revenue of the wicked is trouble. <sup>7</sup> The lips of the wise disperse knowledge, But the heart of the fool *does not do so*.



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