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What Does God Hate?

¹⁶ There are six things the LORD hates— no, seven things he detests: ¹⁷ haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that kill the innocent, ¹⁸ a heart that plots evil, feet that race to do wrong, ¹⁹ a false witness who pours out lies, a person who sows discord in a family. **Proverbs 6:16-19 (NLT)**

God hates the _____ we experience from the _____ we create.

Two ways we create distance from God

1. Our _____ distances us from God!

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
Romans 3:23 (NIV2011)

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. **John 3:17 (NRSV)**

These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death. **James 1:15 (NLT)**

2. Our _____ distances us from God!

For the waywardness of the simple will kill them, and the complacency of fools will destroy them;
Proverbs 1:32 (NIV2011)

More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ

Philippians 3:8 (NRSV)

When have you felt distant from God?

Why are you so distant, LORD? Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?
Psalms 10:1 (GW)

"MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?"
Matthew 27:46b (NASB)

Even when _____ feel _____ from God, God is not _____ from _____!

³⁸ And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. ³⁹ No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 8:38-39 (NLT)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Get rid of the distance between God and I by accepting Jesus as my Savior.
- Ask God to reveal any sin or complacency that is distancing me from Him.
- Give thanks to God for the assurance that I have in His love for me.
- Memorize and/or meditate on Romans 8:38