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*What God
loves & hates*

WHAT GOD *LOVES &* WHAT GOD *HATES*

God Hates...

When I feel lonely, isolated and separated from
Him.

What causes the Separation?

1. My sin.

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Rom 3:23 (NIV)

What is Sin? "To MISS the mark".

For God sent His Son into the world not to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him. John 3:17 (NIV)

Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death. James 1:14-15 (NLT)

2. My complacency.

For simpletons turn away from me--to death. Fools are destroyed by their own complacency. Proverbs 1:32 (NLT)

Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ **Philippians 3:8 (NLT)**

How do I overcome the distance?

1. I must embrace that even though I may feel distant from Him, He's never distant from me.

And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love... **Romans 8:39 (NLT)**

Jesus said... *And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.* **Matthew 28:20 (NLT)**

2. I must remember He wants to restore my relationship with Him.

God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him. **John 3:17 (NLT)**

3. I must remember He is only one step away.

...if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. **1 John 1:9 (NLT)**

4. I must spend time with Him.

And let us not neglect our meeting together... **Hebrews 10:25 (NLT)**

Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands... purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. **James 4:8 (NLT)**

Going deeper on your own. Read through the lesson and look up each passage. How would you respond to this statement, "God hates the loneliness we feel by the distance we create"? So many times we get wrapped up with the sin we know God hates without asking why He hates it. What has separated you from Him? What has separated you from Him in the past? What will you commit to do in order to keep from allowing that to happen again?