

Studies in Proverbs – Lesson Six

Seven Things God Hates

Proverbs 6:16-19

“Haughty eyes” “A Proud Look” (NKJV) Proverbs 6:17

- Not “merely the look, but the temper of mind which the look expresses” (Wardlaw).
- It's the look that could describe the words and actions of:
 - a. Nebuchadnezzar, Daniel 4:29-33.
 - b. The Pharisee of Luke 18:9-14.
 - c. Simon, Luke 7:36-50.

“A Lying Tongue” Proverbs 6:17

- "The lying tongue" of Proverbs 6:17 reflects the actions mentioned in Proverbs 6:12-15.
- Hearing, believing, and obeying a lie brought about the fall of man, Genesis 3:1-6.
- Note other scriptures: Psalms 5:6; Psalms 120:2; Proverbs 12:19; Hosea 4:1-3; Acts 5:1-11; Ephesians 4:25; Revelation 21:8,27.
- Religion, Jeremiah 14:14; 23:16,23-32.

“Hands that Shed Innocent Blood” Proverbs 6:17

- Certainly includes murder, Exodus 20:13; cf. Matthew 19:18 KJV; Genesis 9:6.
- King Manasseh shed innocent blood, 2 Kings 21:6; 24:3,4.

Abortion

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A picture began circulating in November. It should be "The Picture of the Year," or perhaps, "Picture of the Decade." It won't be. In fact, unless you obtained a copy of the US paper which published it, you probably would never have seen it. The picture is that of a 21-week-old unborn baby named Samuel Alexander Armas, who is being operated on by a surgeon named Joseph Bruner. The baby was diagnosed with spina bifida and would not survive if removed from his mother's womb. Little Samuel's mother, Julie Armas, is an obstetrics nurse in Atlanta. She knew of Dr. Bruner's remarkable surgical procedure. Practicing at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, he performs these special operations while the baby is still in the womb.

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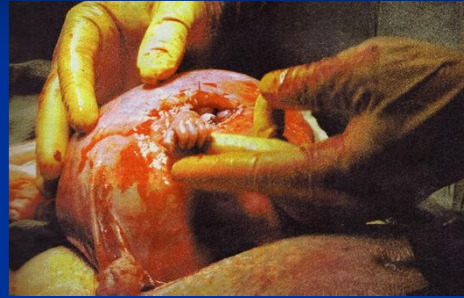
During the procedure, the doctor removes the uterus via C-section and makes a small incision to operate on the baby. As Dr. Bruner completed the surgery on Samuel, the little guy reached his tiny, but fully developed hand through the incision and firmly grasped the surgeon's finger. Dr. Bruner was reported as saying that when his finger was grasped, it was the most emotional moment of his life, and that for an instant during the procedure he was just frozen, totally immobile. The photograph captures this amazing event with perfect clarity. The editors titled the picture, "Hand of Hope."

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The text explaining the picture begins, "The tiny hand of 21-week-old fetus Samuel Alexander Armas emerges from the mother's uterus to grasp the finger of Dr. Joseph Bruner as if thanking the doctor for the gift of life." Little Samuel's mother said they "wept for days" when they saw the picture. She said, "The photo reminds us pregnancy isn't about disability or an illness, it's about a little person." Samuel was born in perfect health, the operation 100 percent successful. Now see the actual picture, and it is awesome ... incredible ... and hey, pass it on. The world needs to see this one!

21-week-old unborn baby named Samuel Alexander Armas



- Luke 1:36-44 John was a "babe" and "leaped" in his mother's womb.
- Verse 36 "This is the sixth month with her." Verse 41 "The Babe leaped in her womb," Verse 44 "The Babe leaped in my womb."

- Genesis 25:22 While Jacob and Esau were in Rebekah's womb, they were living children. "The children struggled together within her."

Job 3:11 Job asked, "Why did I not from the womb? Why did I not give up the ghost when I came out of the belly?"

1. Job could not "give up" what he did not have. Yet, he argues that had he so died he would have been "at rest with kings and counsellors of the earth" (verses 13-14).
2. If he had been "as an hidden untimely birth" (miscarriage), he would have been where "the weary be at rest" (verses 16-17).
3. cf. Job 10:18-19 Job continued by wishing he had "given up the ghost, and no eye had seen (him)". But again, one cannot give up what he does not have. He would have been carried from the womb to the grave.

Jeremiah 1:5 God knew Jeremiah before his birth, "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations."

Jeremiah could have been killed before birth.

Jeremiah 20:17-18 "...because he slew me not from the womb; and so my mother would have been my grave, and her womb always great. Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labor and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?"

- Psalms 139:13-16 The Psalmist considered the Lord watched over his development in his mother's womb.

“A Heart that Devises Wicked Purposes” Proverbs 6:18 cf. Proverbs 12:20; 14:22

1. This sin was prominent before the flood, Genesis 6:5
2. This was the sin of those mentioned in Romans 1:30, *"inventors of evil things."*
3. This could include fabricated accusations used to destroy a person's credibility.

“Feet that are Swift in Running to Mischief” Proverbs 6:18

- Proverbs 1:10-19; cf. Psalms 119:101
- Don't follow the multitude to do evil. Exodus 23:2

“A False Witness that uttereth lies” Proverbs 6:19

1. Lying is again mentioned in this same setting; note verse 17. cf. Proverbs 14:5,25; 19:5,9.
2. But this time the lying seems to take on the form of perjury, an advanced form of lying. Perjury is a sin; it is also a crime!

“He that Soweth Discord Among Brethren” Proverbs 6:19

- God wants His children to be at peace one with another. Psalms 133:1; Ephesians 4:1-3; Colossians 3:15; Romans 14:17.
- Jesus said "blessed are the peacemakers Matthew 5:9.
“Cursed are the fussmakers...”
- This is not to be peace at any price - peace at the expense of doctrinal truth, at the expense of moral purity; at the expense of standing for what is right in the home. cf. Matthew 10:34-38.
- However, Jesus died to make it possible for both Jews and Gentiles to be at peace with God and with one another, Ephesians 2:14-16.

- God hates the sins recorded in Proverbs 6:16-19; let us make certain that we neither engage in such, nor approve of such! cf. Romans 1:32