

# WHITES RUN BAPTIST CHURCH

## Hate and Love

John 15:18-16:4

**Big Idea:** Human society apart from God will hate disciples of Jesus as they hated Jesus, so His disciples must abide in the love of their Lord Jesus Christ.

### Hate

Three Reasons the World Hates Jesus and His Disciples:

- We belong to Christ and not to the World. John 15:18-19, 17:14-16; James 4:4; Ephesians 2:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 2:15.
- They do not know God. John 15:21, 16:3.
- Christ exposes their sin. John 15:22-25, 7:3-8; Acts 7:54.

### Love

The love of Jesus Christ for His church is shown most remarkably in the work of the cross, but also His promises for them. Here are a few from our context:

- He is preparing an eternal **Home**: John 14:1-3
- The **Way** to that home is Jesus himself: John 14:4-7
- Jesus will reveal the **Father** to us: John 14:6-12
- We will do even greater **Works** than Jesus: John 14:12
- Jesus will answer all our **Prayers** in his name: John 14:13, 15:7
- Jesus and the Father will send the **Holy Spirit**: John 14:16
- He give us the **Love** of both the Father and the Son: John 14:21, 15:9-10
- The Holy Spirit will **Teach** us: John 14:26
- He leaves us in **Peace**: John 14:27
- He gives us **Proof**: John 13:19, 14:29, 16:4
- The Father will **Prune** us: John 15:2
- In Him we are **Clean**: John 15:3
- Knowing these things gives us **Joy**: John 15:11
- Jesus gives us **Friendship**: John 15:13-15
- **Hatred** of the World: John 15:18-16:4
- And more to come...

### Implication:

The New Testament outlines for us a dichotomy between the love of the world (the ungodly systems of man and Satan), and the love of God. In this, it is impossible to be both loved by the world and by God. Likewise, it is impossible to both love God and love the world.

- James 4:4, “Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.”
- 1 John 2:15, “Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.”
- ““The world” from a Christian point of view involves all the people, plans, organizations, activities, philosophies, values, etc. that belong to society without God.”<sup>10</sup> – Warren Wiersbe

### Invitation:

Abide in Christ! Make use of the spiritual disciplines of reading, studying, memorizing, and meditating upon God’s Word; worshiping God; enjoying accountable and confessing fellowship with his people; praying; obeying; giving; and bearing witness. Pray for the Lord Jesus Christ to become your healthy obsession, your dwelling place, and your friend.

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<sup>10</sup> Wiersbe, Warren W. *The Bible Exposition Commentary*. Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1996. Print.