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Because God is loyal and faithful

Pv. 6:16-19 There are six things the LORD hates, seven that are detestable to Him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies and a person who stirs up conflict in the community.

This is also a picture whose heart is not only bent towards the selfish nature but even more has a desire for the things of the world, flesh and evil. These people are looking for and devising ways of evil. They are only concerned for themselves and their own worldly pleasures.

Have you known people that only cared about what they wanted? This is the selfish person who craves the worldly things instead of God. **1 John 2:15-16** *So not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.*

The phraseology here means that not only is this person looking to sin, but they also can't wait to do it. They are continually looking for ways to heap worldly pleasures upon themselves. When they find those ways, there is no hesitation, but instead they rush right into the evil practices. They have no restraint. They are looking for ways to sin. They will try anything that they think will bring them an immediate rush or some form of pleasure, even if the outcome is catastrophic. The only hope for these people is that they repent and turn to the only One that can help them, Jesus.

Dear LORD, we live among people who choose themselves over anyone else. Their hearts are calloused toward You. Please bring us a time of revival in this nation. We desperately need You to empower us as we go forth in Your Name. In Jesus Name, Amen.