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Proverbs 10:12, “**Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.**”

Ever wonder how most of our forefathers and mothers were able to live with each other for 50, 60, and even 70 years and maintain a happy home where the family always longed to return? The deep abiding love they had for each other enabled them to overlook the faults of their companion. In addition, their love was so great they did not want to do anything to change what they had together. Certainly, there are things which we should not put up with, a line which must be drawn, but that is for major offenses which we trust and pray will not come about. Hatred, on the other hand, doesn't cover the shortcomings, it exposes them. I have been told that HATE is a strong word and should not be used. However, there are sins which some have done which I hate and even my own sins, I hate. But, if I dwell on them, strife comes quickly as Satan will use that to cause us problems. Some people allow themselves to be consumed by hate and it leads to nothing but strife in their lives. Only having the love of God in your heart will allow one to live in a world that is increasingly filling itself with hatred. God so loved His people (children) that He gave His Son Jesus Christ for our sins (John 3:16). Now, that is what love is about. It is far better to be consumed with love than hatred. ***Think About It!***