10DAYFAST

CHRIST-LIKENESS

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Proverbs 6:18b continues "...Feet that are swift in running to evil..." in naming things that are hated by the Lord. What exactly does that mean? This verse describes the character of someone who has an intentional, insatiable craving to sin. They lack conscience and self control. They hunger to feed their flesh and jump at every opportunity to satisfy their physical desires. Ephesians 4:19 describes it similarly stating "Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed." Isaiah 59:7 says, "Their feet rush into sin; they are swift to shed innocent blood. They pursue evil schemes; acts of violence mark their ways." Simply put, God hates evil and the enjoyment of sin. The scripture illustrates someone who does not yield to temptation but willingly gives themselves up to their own lusts, becoming a slave to their sin. Hear this friends- The place where your sin becomes your master is inception of an addiction. As we progress in our Christian walk we should aspire to become more Christ-like. If God hates sin, so should we! Romans 12:9 says "Hate what is evil; cling to what is good." We are called to turn away from sin, not to run toward it. 1 Thessalonians 5:22 directs "abstain from every form of evil." While Paul cautions us, "do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil lusts." Romans 6:12. According to Ephesians 6 we should be on guard against the schemes of the enemy and "our feet

should be fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace," standing firm while keeping our eyes fixed on Christ.