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The accompanying message - *Haman the Hater* - was first delivered at ENC's 26 Dover Street Boston Chapel in 1963.

In our daily news today of wars and rumors of wars and killings in nice neighborhoods where "things like that don't usually happen around here", testimony often points to prejudice, racism, bigotry, ill will.

During the 4 years I was afforded the privilege of serving in ENC's Boston Chapel pastorate, *Haman the Hater* was one among such other Sunday evening sermon titles as "I thought I heard a car door slam" and "Definition of a Pekingese", the essence of which messages I have long since forgotten.

Daily we witness new monuments being built and speeches made, perpetuating ill will with the unremittingly reiterated message: "We must never forget what they did to us." I think about Nazarene discipleship and Eastern Nazarene College education: Dean Bertha Munro; Dr. J. Glenn Gould; Dr. W. T. Purkiser; others. Dean Munro, the most tender Christian love I have ever witnessed or experienced face to face; Dr. Gould, who commented "I notice your sermons are almost always about how people treat other people"; and Dr. W.T. Purkiser, Herald of Holiness Editor, who encouraged *Haman the Hater* to be submitted for publication.

"By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:35

With love & prayers, Jim

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