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SERIES ON 1-3 JOHN

1 John 3:11-24

11 For this is the message you have heard from the beginning: We should love one another, . . .

1 John 3:7-10

⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

⁸The one who commits sin is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The Son of God was revealed for this purpose: to destroy the devil's works.

1 John 3:7-10

⁹Everyone who has been born of God does not sin, because his seed remains in him; he is not able to sin, because he has been born of God. ¹⁰This is how God's children and the devil's children become obvious. Whoever does not do what is right is not of God, especially the one who does not love his brother or sister.

1 John 3:11-24

¹¹For this is the message you have heard from the beginning: We should love one another, ¹²unlike Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his deeds were evil, and his brother's were righteous.

1 John 3:11-24

¹³Do not be surprised, brothers and sisters, if the world hates you. ¹⁴We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers and sisters. The one who does not love remains in death.

¹⁵Everyone who hates his brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him.

1 John 3:11-24

¹⁶This is how we have come to know love: He laid down his life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷If anyone has this world's goods and sees a fellow believer in need but withholds compassion from him – how does God's love reside in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not love in word or speech, but in action and in truth.

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The shock of the hate between the world and the church is not the only warning here – What about the call of compromise to the world

John 3:19-21

¹⁹This is the judgment: The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does evil hates the light and avoids it, so that his deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But anyone who lives by the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be shown to be accomplished by God.”

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- . . . love not only with our mouth but with our actions (18)

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Love is more than just “feelings”, it is action!

We Know . . .

- . . . we are saved because we love our brothers & sisters (14a)

14a We know that we have “passed from death to life” (saved) because we love our brothers and sisters.

14b The one who does not love remains in death.

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?Murderer = Teacher of Heresy?

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³Not many should become teachers, my brothers, because you know that we will receive a stricter judgment. James 3:1

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⁶“But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to fall away – it would be better for him if a heavy millstone were hung around his neck and he were drowned in the depths of the sea. Matthew 18:6

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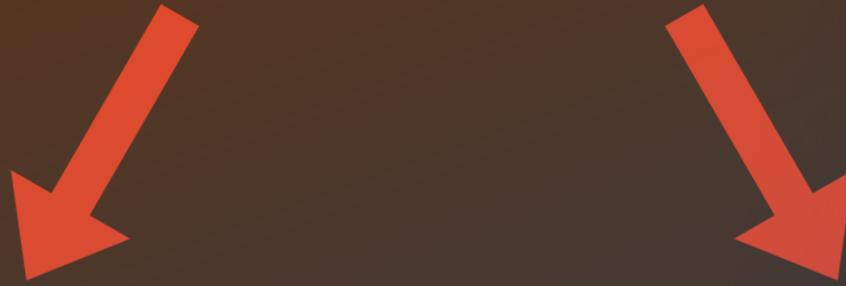
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Redefinition of Love:

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Liberation Theology
(Marxism)

Social Gospel

Progressive Christianity

Emerging Church

Affirming Christianity

Aspirational Christianity

Evolving Christianity

By calling ourselves progressive Christians, we mean that we are Christians who...

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- 2** Affirm that the teachings of Jesus provide but one of many ways to experience the Sacredness and Oneness of life, and that we can draw from diverse sources of wisdom in our spiritual journey;
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 - Women and men,
 - Those of all sexual orientations and gender identities,
 - Those of all classes and abilities;
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- 5** Find grace in the search for understanding and believe there is more value in questioning than in absolutes;
- 6** Strive for peace and justice among all people;
- 7** Strive to protect and restore the integrity of our Earth; and
- 8** Commit to a path of life-long learning, compassion, and selfless love.



Spiritual networking and resources for an evolving faith

"The 8 Points" (version 2011)
The Center for Progressive Christianity
ProgressiveChristianity.org

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**“A God without wrath brought men without sin
into a Kingdom without judgement through the
ministrations of a Christ without a Cross.”**

-H. Richard Niebuhr, “The Kingdom of God in America”



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