

# Do Not Be Deceived

## **#deconstruction**

Orthodox Christianity



Progressive Christianity



Agnostic



Atheist

The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.

**I Timothy 4:1**

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**II Corinthians 11:1-4**

**Galatians 1:6-9**

...progressive Christianity, a version of Christianity that sells itself as a valid option for Christians that on the surface looks a lot like the Christian worldview and may seem in the eyes of many people to be more acceptable, more likable, a really more palatable version of the faith.

progressive Christians believe that Jesus isn't so much the divine Son of God, but rather just a moral example for us to follow.

Jesus is more of a big brother that sets a pattern that we walk in his footsteps.

the highest goal of the Christian life for progressive Christianity is that you just have to be a good person.

...if you think you can be a good person, you must have a very low view of sin, It's this idea that people aren't really that fallen and they're not really that bad – a downplaying of the word sin; there's certainly no interest in talking about the wrath of God on sin. God is not portrayed as at all disturbed by or upset with sin.

## The Core Values of Progressive Christianity

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

1. Believe that following the way and teachings of Jesus can lead to experiencing sacredness, wholeness, and unity of all life, even as we recognize that the Spirit moves in beneficial ways in many faith traditions.
2. Seek community that is inclusive of all people, honoring differences in theological perspective, age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, class, or ability.
3. Strive for peace and justice among all people, knowing that behaving with compassion and selfless love towards one another is the fullest expression of what we believe
4. Embrace the insights of contemporary science and strive to protect the Earth and ensure its integrity and sustainability.
5. Commit to a path of life-long learning, believing there is more value in questioning than in absolutes.

Alisa Childers – Christian apologist/ writer/ teacher

## **5 Counterfeit Truths of Progressive Christianity**

- 1. You Are Perfect Just as You Are** – no original sin, but original goodness
- 2. Jesus Didn't Need to Die on the Cross** – if #1 is true, then...no substitutionary atonement necessary
- 3. The Resurrection Doesn't Have to Be Historical to Be Meaningful** – spiritual only – just symbolic
- 4. God Isn't That Concerned about Who We Sleep with** – as long as it is 'love'
- 5. The Bible is an Ancient Travel Journal** – certainly NOT the eternal, inerrant Word of God

John Dunn, street preacher, quoted Scripture to 2 lesbians:

## **1 Corinthians 6:9 – homosexuals will not inherit the kingdom of God**

A prosecutor with the Crown Prosecution Service, the office of government prosecutors for England and Wales, wrote in a document sent to the defense before the trial that "there are references in the bible [sic] which are simply no longer appropriate in modern society and which would be offensive if stated in public."

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**Sin**

**God's wrath against evil**

**OT God**

**Hell**

**Penal substitutionary atonement**

**Absolutes**

**Supernatural**

**Uniqueness of Christ**

**Sola gratia**

**Eternal, inerrant Word**

**“where is this coming He promised?”**

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