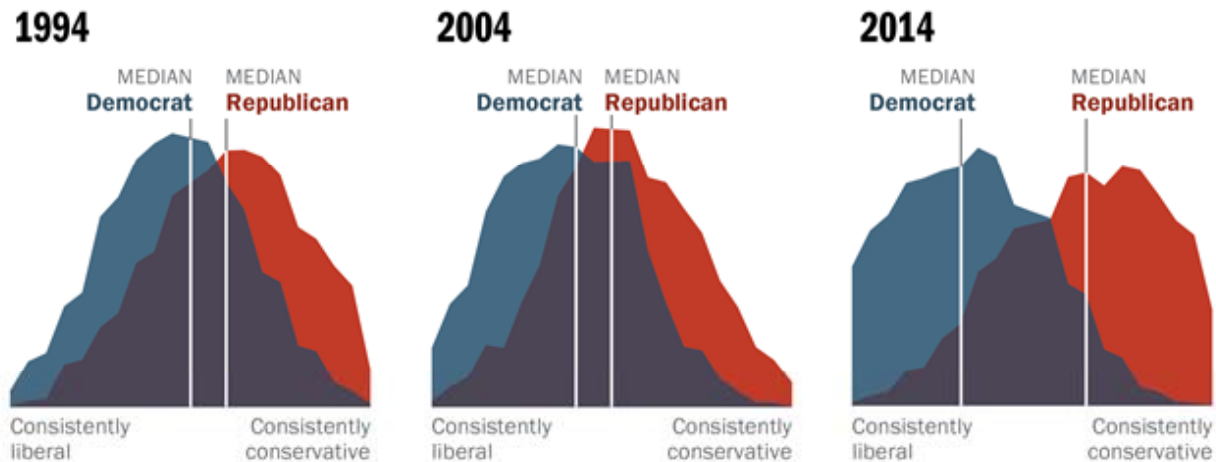


Democrats and Republicans More Ideologically Divided than in the Past

Distribution of Democrats and Republicans on a 10-item scale of political values



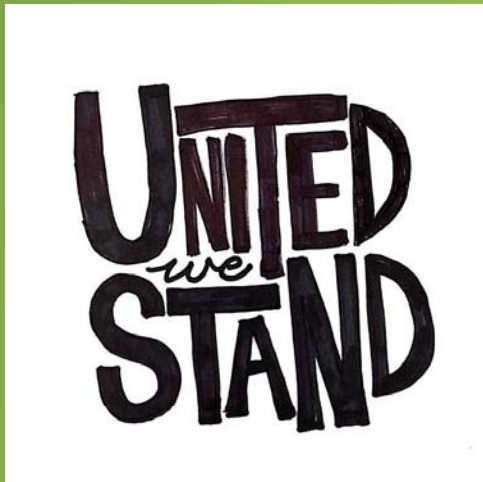
Source: 2014 Political Polarization in the American Public

Notes: Ideological consistency based on a scale of 10 political values questions (see Appendix A). The blue area in this chart represents the ideological distribution of Democrats; the red area of Republicans. The overlap of these two distributions is shaded purple. Republicans include Republican-leaning independents; Democrats include Democratic-leaning independents (see Appendix B).

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Sermon Series at Savage-Lanham Campus

1. Impossible Possibility
2. Ecclesiolae en Ecclesia
3. The Vulnerable Mighty
4. The Moral Men in Immoral Society
5. The World in Our Parish

Didn't we use to be on the cutting edge?



John 17:13-26 **Jesus' Prayer - "Joy to the World"**

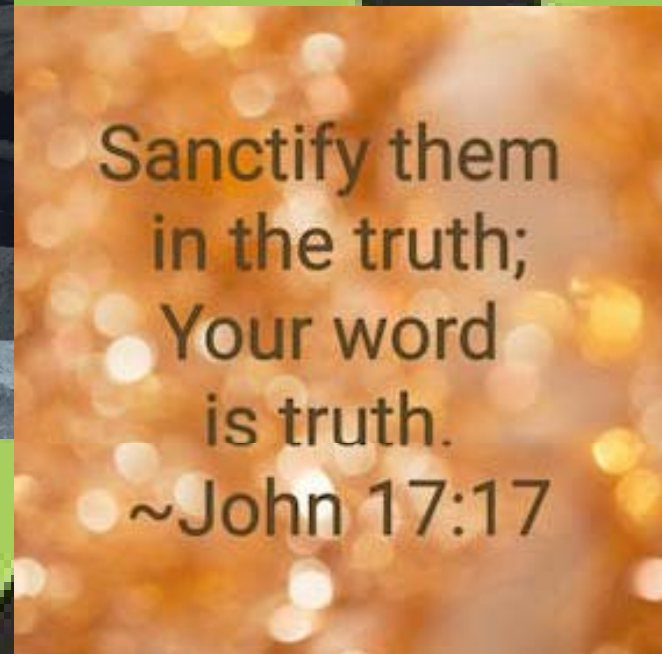
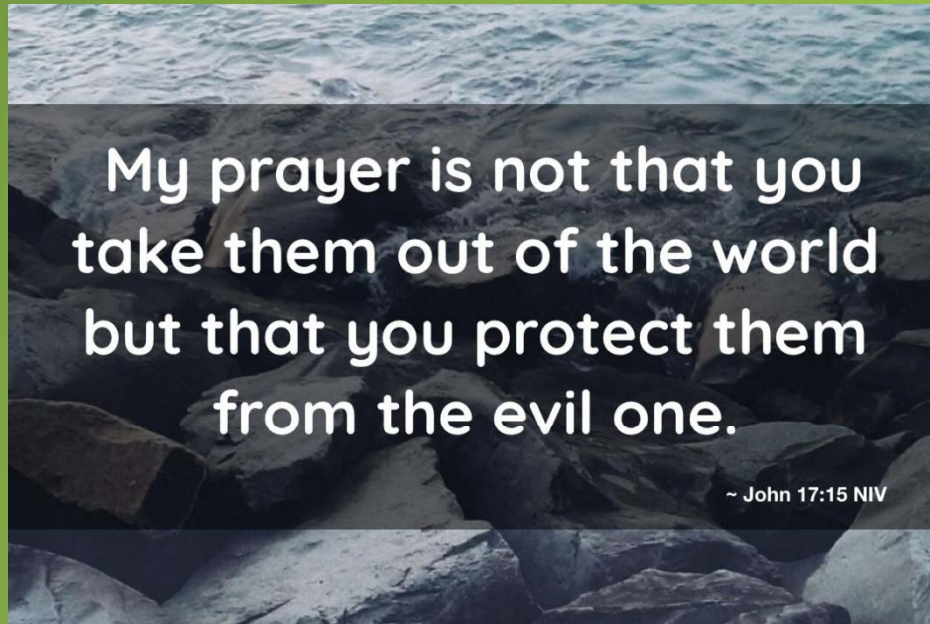


Jesus Prayer: John 17

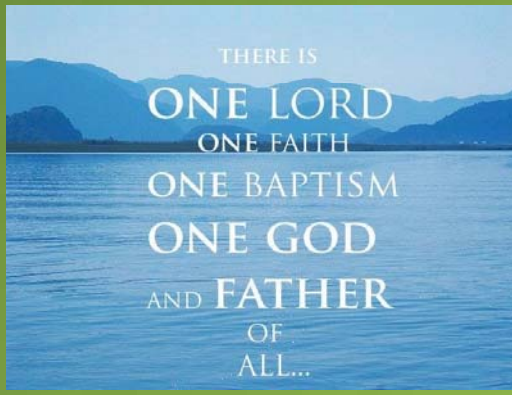
1. Prayer for Himself 1-5
2. Prayer for His Disciples 6-19
3. Prayer for His Future Disciples 20-26

John 17:13 But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

John 17:13-26
“For Protection & Sanctification”



Ephesians 4:5



John 17:13-26
“United with One Another”
Jesus wants us to be ...



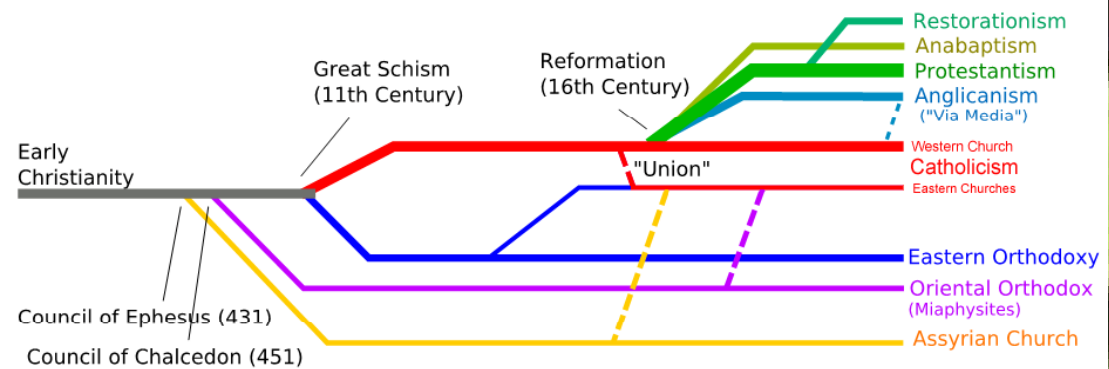
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CONNECTING THE CHURCH TO THE WORLD



Major branches within Christianity



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“While other worldviews lead us to sit in the midst of life’s joys, foreseeing the coming sorrows, Christianity empowers its people to sit in the midst of this world’s sorrows, tasting the coming joy.”

Timothy Keller

Photo by Nathan Toester



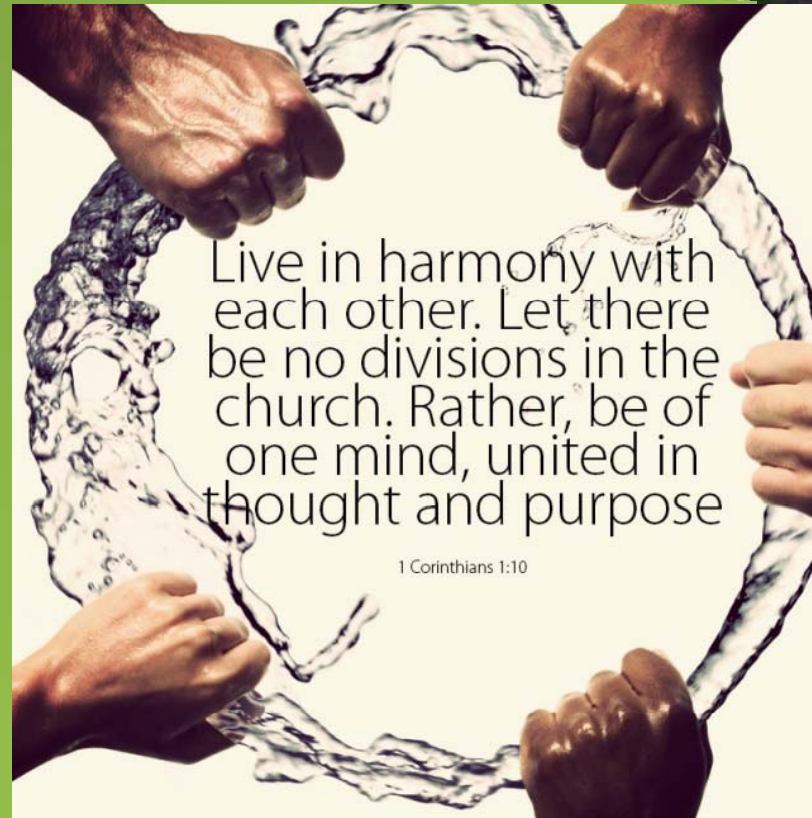
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2. Jesus sends you into the world, as He was sent to it.

A stylized illustration of human figures in a green field. The figures are dark green silhouettes with rounded heads and simple limbs. One figure in the center has its arms raised high. Other figures are positioned around it, some appearing to be in motion or interacting. The background is a solid, vibrant green.

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Far away is far away only if you don't go there.

— George Otis —



The world is not far away!

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“I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

~ John 17:20-21 ESV

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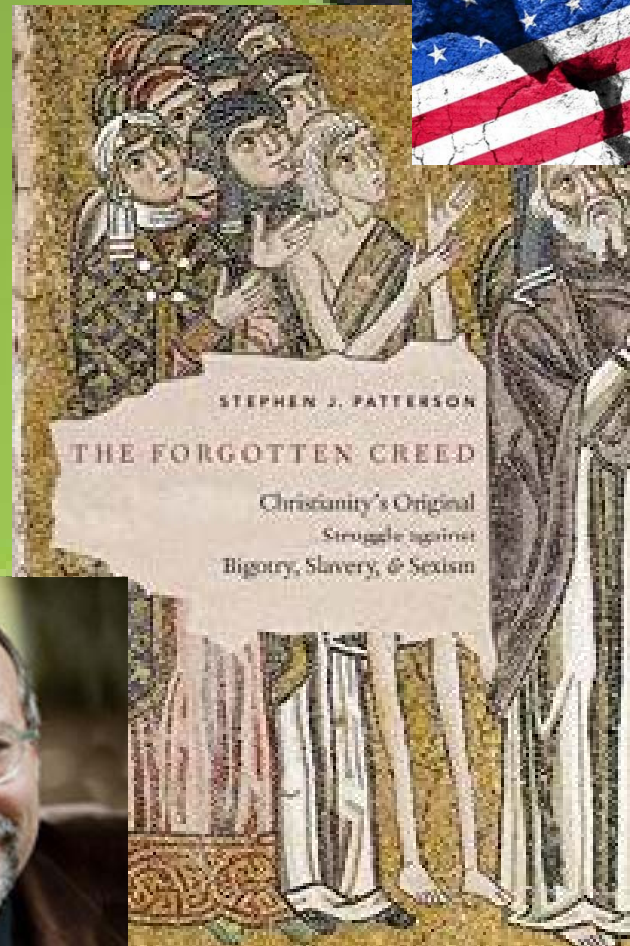
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*“For you are all one”
– that’s what Jesus’
first followers heard
when they were
baptized. ...*

*The point was
not sameness
but oneness:
Solidarity that
transcended race,
class, and gender.”*



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4. Let the world know that God loves all, as He loved His own Son even before the creation.

*Share your faith,
gift, and
privilege.*

*Let the world
know that you're
the children of
God, so that the
world recognize
you as brothers
and sisters.*



Come, just as you are!

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