



## UNDIVIDED: AN UPWARD, INWARD, AND OUTWARD APPROACH

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*“So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.” (John 13:34-35)*

### HOW CAN I LOVE THOSE I AM DIVIDED AGAINST?

1. I must treat all people with \_\_\_\_\_.

(Psalm 8:5 NIV, Acts 10:28 TLB, 1 Peter 2:17 MSG)

2. I must accept the \_\_\_\_\_ of others.

(1 Corinthians 15:38-40 CEV)

3. I must learn to \_\_\_\_\_ others despite our differences.

(John 13:34-35 NLT, Hebrews 13:1 NCV)

4. I must become a \_\_\_\_\_ and lead others toward

\_\_\_\_\_. (2 Corinthians 5:18, Matthew 5:9)

### APPLICATION: HEART CHECK

1. **Upward (devotion):** To love others who are different than me, I must daily \_\_\_\_\_ God – the God of mercy, love, grace, and compassion.  
(Psalm 51:1-6)

2. **Inward (connection):** To love others who are different than me, I must \_\_\_\_\_ of my sins and ask the Lord to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the motives of my heart toward others. (Psalm 51:7-15)

3. **Outward (Connection):** To love others who are different than me, I must \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ with others who will hold me \_\_\_\_\_ for my actions.  
(Psalm 51:16-17)

### QUESTION TO CONSIDER

1. If I implemented an upward, inward, and outward approach to loving others, how would my attitude change towards those with different political preferences than my own?

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