

# Both And

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## Either Or

North American Christians – The Great Divide

Liberal	Conservative
Mainline	Evangelical
Focus on Here and Now	Focus on Heaven and Hell
Social Responsibility	Personal Holiness / Spirituality
Social Action, Justice Issues	Evangelism

## Both And

**A Growing Sense Everywhere**

These Belong Together

**Scripture Passages**

Micah 6:8; Act 4:32-35; Gal 6:7-10; Jam 1:27-2:1

## Dangers of Either Or

Complaints of Both Sides Make Good Points!

Mainline	Evangelical
Reduced to Human Project	Miss Much of "God's Dream"
Adopt Values of World	Disengaged from World
Hard to Maintain Motivation	Passion Selfishly Aimed
Burnt Out	Self Absorbed

## Deep Change is Hard

Our History – Evangelical Side  
Conscious Effort to Turn Outward  
Some Steps We Have Taken  
Dream up more!

## Take it Home!

In your church roots which was emphasized more, personal holiness and spirituality or social action and justice issues?

Which do you think should be emphasized?

What is good about each of these emphases?

What is not so good?

For your life to be in a healthy balance what should you emphasize more? Less?

What could we do as a church family to become more outwardly focussed?

**Take It Home** - Take this home and use these questions to think about the ideas shared today. It is even better if you can use these questions in a conversation with someone else.