

Jesus Was Not Nice, He Was Eternally Effective - And The Apostles Too

A) GOD'S NATURE (ESSENCE OF GOD)

The essential being of God — who and what God is in Himself, eternally and indivisibly. (Essence = the one, simple, undivided being of God.)

- God is Spirit — immaterial, incorporeal being. God the Spirit is the infinite, personal, holy Lord.
- God is One — perfect unity of essence.
- God is Light — holiness, truth, purity as essential being (holy light, not physical).
- God is Love — eternal self-giving communion.
- God is Living — source of life, self-existent.
- God is a Consuming Fire — holy in purity and judgment.
- God is Invisible — transcendent Spirit, unseen by creatures.
- Aseity / Self-Existence — "I AM," uncaused being.
- Incomprehensibility — God cannot be fully known, surpasses full human understanding.
- God is Blessed — God's perfect, self-sufficient joy (Beatitude).
- Impossibility — not subject to involuntary change or passions.

B) ATTRIBUTES OF GOD - Perfections

I. Incommunicable Attributes (Essential) "Greatness of God"

- **Eternality** — God exists endlessly, without beginning or end.
- **Self-Existence (Aseity)** — God exists by the necessity of His own being; He is uncaused.
- **Immutability** — God does not change in His nature, character, or purpose.
- **Onnipotence** — God is all-powerful and able to accomplish His perfect will.
- **Omniscience** — God knows all things—past, present, future, actual, and possible.
- **Omnipresence** — God is present everywhere, not bound by space.
- **Sovereignty** — God has supreme authority and absolute rule over all creation.
- **Supremacy (Divine Unity)** — God's attributes are perfectly one in His being.
- **Infinity** — God is limitless in being, knowledge, and power.
- **Independence** — God does not depend on anything or anyone for His existence.
- **Incomprehensibility** — God is knowable, but beyond full human understanding.

God's holiness Focus

God's holiness is to be the prime focus humans are to maintain in this life, where sin is present, while God's love is the primary focus in heaven will be the norm. Or, to put it more theologically precise: Holiness is God's eternal nature, but in heaven His holiness is experienced primarily as love. In this life, His holiness is experienced as separation from sin. So, a love focus in Eden and Heaven, but in between, holiness is the focus during the presence of sin.

Countering the false view of Jesus in the Church today.

C) CHARACTER OF GOD - Moral Relational

Outworking of Attributes

- **Merciful and Gracious, Abounding in Love and Faithfulness**
- **Merciful and Kind in All His Works**
- **Just and Upright, Perfect in All His Ways**
- **God is Love**
- **Beauty as the pleasantness** of God's dealings

Holiness in Character → Israel called to be holy; God disciplines **sinners in Character** → God vindicates the oppressed, judges wicked

Wrath in Character → Outpoured against sin in history...

Love in Character → God so loved the world He gave His Son

Faithfulness in Character → He keeps covenant promises to...

Mercy in Character → Compassion shown to the weak repentant

Wisdom in Character → Directing history and guiding His people

Peace in Character → Shalom given to His people

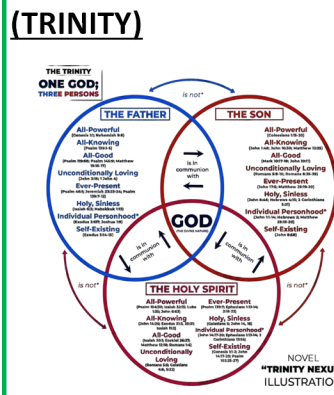
D) PERSONHOOD OF GOD & RELATIONALITY

- God is Personal and Near
- **Intellect** — God thinks, reasons, and understands all things.
- **Will** — God makes deliberate choices according to His purposes.
- **Emotion** — God expresses righteous emotions, consistent with His holy nature.
- **Self-Awareness** — God speaks of Himself and declares His own eternal identity.
- **Relationality** — God is not abstract but covenantally present, revealing Himself personally to His people.
- **Emotions / Divine Affections** — God's affections are real and covenantally consistent with His holy nature (not unstable passions).

Why was Jesus so intense, and even harsh on many occasions?

- Because God really is so great and so holy. God really is the centre of the universe and life itself
- Because we belong to Him we are not our own
- Because sin is so evil
- Because hell is so dangerous
- Because heaven (a life with God) is so wonderful
- Because it truly is, insanity, to reject God

E) THE GODHEAD (TRINITY)



F) ADDITIONAL FACETS OF GOD'S REVEALED BEING (Ad Extra)

- **Will of God** (Decretive, Preceptive, and Permissive).
- **Decrees of God.**
- **Works of God** (Opera Dei ad extra). • Creation • Providence (Divine Government)
- **Redemption** • Judgment • Glorification/Consummation
- **Providence of God.** • Preservation • Governance • Concurrence
- **Sovereignty of God.**
- **Lament & Hiddenness**
- **Glory & Beauty of God**
- **Divine Accommodation**
- **Kingdom Program** (Missio Dei. Creation → Consummation) • Creation Aim (Design)
- **Covenantal Backbone (Promise)** • Christocentric Fulfillment (Inauguration) • Providence & Sovereignty (Execution) • Israel/Church Distinction (Integrity) • Consumption (Goal)

"Only Nice Christianity" is a false religion.

Instantly today, Christians make wrong judgments, discernment, statements, decisions and reproof of others, because they do not know truly God. 1 Cor 15:34 Think carefully about what is right, and stop sinning. For to your shame I say that some of you don't know God at all. NLT

We demand 'nice' when Scripture says: Rom 9:32...They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, 33 as it is written, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense, and whoever believes in him will not put to shame."

G) SPECIAL REVELATORY EXPRESSIONS OF God

- **Names of God**
- **Theophanies** → Christophanies
- **Fear of the LORD**
- **God's Covenant Relationships**
- **Kingdom Program** - Missio Dei
- **Names of God** - Creatorship Names • Covenantal Names • Names of the Son - Names of the Holy Spirit
- **Covenants of God** • The Everlasting Covenant • The Edenic Covenant • The Adamic Covenant • The Noahic Covenant • The Abrahamic Covenant • The Mosaic Covenant • The Palestinian (Land) Covenant • The Davidic Covenant • The New Covenant

Apostles "Abrupt Weighty Pivots" Episodes Revealing His Intensity

A human response of admiration/piety/comfort/neutral curiosity met with an abrupt pivot to weighty warning, judgment, exposure, death/cross language, or hard truth. Just a few:

- Mat 12:46-50, Luk 8:19-21 — Family notice → redefined kinship by obedience
- Trigger: "Your mother and your brothers..."
- Pivot: "Whoever does the will of my Father... is my brother and sister and mother."
- Mat 15:21-28, Mar 7:27-29 — Plea for mercy → covenant priority / "dogs"
- Trigger: "Have mercy on me, O Lord..."
- Pivot: "I was sent only..." (Mat 15:24; "not right... to the dogs.")
- Mat 24:1-2, Mar 13:1-2, Luk 21:5-6 — Admiring the temple → "not one stone... left"
- Trigger: disciples show "the buildings of the temple"
- Pivot: "There will not be left here one stone upon another..."
- Luk 7:36-50 — Polite hosting → exposure and reversal
- Trigger: a Pharisee hosts Jesus; inner piety appraisal of the woman.
- Pivot: "You gave me no water... no kiss..." + forgiveness declared to the woman.
- Luk 10:17-20 — Ministry excitement → sobering re-centering
- Trigger: "even the demons are subject to us..."
- Pivot: "Do not rejoice in this... rejoice that your names are written in heaven."
- Luk 11:27-28 — "Blessed is your mother" → "Blessed rather... obedience"
- Trigger: "Blessed is the womb that bore you..."
- Luk 11:37-52 — Dinner moment → sweeping "woes"
- Trigger: a Pharisee invites Jesus to dine; surprise he didn't wash; a lawyer objects.
- Pivot: "Inside you are full of greed..." + repeated "Woe to you..."
- Luk 14:15-24 — Pious kingdom toast → exclusion sentence
- Trigger: "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!"
- Pivot: "None of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet."
- John 4:10-18 — Curiosity about "living water" → exposure of hidden sin
- Trigger: "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with..." (John 4:11)
- Pivot: "Go, call your husband..." → "You have had five husbands..."

Apostles "Abrupt Weighty Pivots" As

Jesus Did

They are doing covenant-realism: stripping away sentiment, slogans, and self-deception to press the hearer into repentance, fear of God, and readiness for judgment—the same "externally effective" pastoral urgency modeled by Jesus.

- Acts 5:1-11 — Piety posture → "lied... to God" + death
- Trigger: implied generosity ("we sold... we give...") (Acts 5:1-2)
- Pivot: "You have lied to the Holy Spirit... not lied to man but to God" → "fell down and breathed his last." (Acts 5:3-5)
- This concept is a normal part of sharing the gospel (Lost today):
- Acts 17:22-31 — "Very religious" compliment → repent + fixed judgment day
- Trigger: "I perceive that in every way you are very religious." (Acts 17:22)
- Pivot: "God commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day... to judge the world..." (Acts 17:30-31)
- Acts 24:24-25 — Interest in "faith" → "coming judgment" alarm
- Trigger: Felix wants to hear "about faith in Christ Jesus." (Acts 24:24)
- Pivot: Paul reasons about "righteousness... self-control and the coming judgment," and Felix is alarmed. (Acts 24:25)
- 1 Cor 11:17-32 — Worship setting → sickness/death as discipline
- Trigger: they "come together" for the Lord's Supper, but in selfish factions. (1 Cor 11:17-22)
- Pivot: "I do not commend you..." + "many are weak and ill, and some have died... judged... disciplined..." (1 Cor 11:17, 30-32)
- Jas 4:13-16 — Confident planning → mortality/ignorance check

- Mat 3:7; Luk 3:7 "You brood of vipers! ... [snakes] who warned you to flee from the wrath to come!"
- Mat 3:12; Luk 3:17 "His winnowing fork is in his hand... the chaff will be blown with unquenchable fire."
- Mat 8:10-12 Many from east/west; sons cast out with weeping and gnashing of teeth.
- Mat 8:22, Luke 9:60 "Let the dead bury their own dead" (Culturally a harsh thing to say)
- Mat 8:26; Mar 4:39-40; Luk 8:25 "Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?" / "Where is your faith?"
- Mat 9:4-5 Your sins are forgiven. Why think evil thoughts? (Would upset)
- Mat 11:21-24 Luk 10:13-16 "Woe to you... I will be more tolerable... (for Tyre/Sidon) than for you..." / "Whoever rejects you rejects me..."
- Mat 11:21-24 "A prophetic 'woe-oracle'... a speech-act that announces impending ruin under divine judgment and simultaneously injects the guilty party. Marked for judgment. Strike One! sin-to-speak. Now, your judgment will be much greater (Jesus did judge contrary from popular opinion).
- Mat 12:29-45 An evil generation seeks a sign.
- Mat 12:25-37 "You brood of vipers... [snakes] you will give account for every careless word..."
- Mat 14:29-31 "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"
- Mat 15:3-9 "You nullify God's Word for your tradition."
- Mat 15:24, Mark 7:27 he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs..."
- Mat 16:24 "You cannot interpret the signs of the times."
- Mat 16:6, 8-12 Beware the leaven of the Pharisees (false teaching)
- Mat 16:24, Mark 8:33 to Peter: "Get behind me, Satan."
- Mat 17:17, Mark 9:19, Luk 9:41 "O faithless and twisted generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to put up with you?" (To His friends - disciples)
- Mat 19:4-9, Mar 10:5 "Because of your hardness of heart..." (Moses permitted divorce)
- Mat 20:21-23 "My cup you will drink, not mine to grant seats (imagine saying that to a brother)"
- Mat 21:13; Mar 11:17; Luk 19:46; Joh 2:16 Jesus drives them out of the temple with a whip: "My house shall be called a house of prayer... but you make it a den of robbers..." / "Stop making my Father's house a house of trade."
- Mat 21:18-22; Mark 11:12-14, 20-21 Jesus curses the fig tree and it withers as a sign-act of judgment and warning.
- Mat 21:24-32, Mark 11:33 Neither will I tell you by what authority (Not cooperative)
- Mat 21:33-44, Mark 12:1-11 "the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. 36 Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. 37 Finally he sent his son... 38 But when the tenants saw this, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' 39 And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. (Speaking of the Jews)
- Mat 22:4-14 "Come to the wedding feast." 5 But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, 6 while the rest satized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. 7 The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8 Then he said to his servants, "The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. (Speaking of the Jews)
- Mat 22:11 "But when the king... saw there a man who had no wedding garment... Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." (No garment /punty, salvation supplied by King. Harsh Justice. God will not accept 'good' people, only the saved & dedicated).
- Mat 23:18-21, Mar 12:15-17 "Why do you hate me, you hypocrites?" / "Render to Caesar... and to God..."
- Mat 23:29-32; Mar 12:24-27; Luk 20:34-38 "You are wrong... you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God."
- Mat 23:2-6 "... (Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites... serpents, brood of vipers... how are you to escape being sentenced to hell?"
- Mark 1:41-44 And Jesus sternly charged him... "See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest."
- Mark 3:4-5 Is it lawful to do good or to do harm 5 And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart.
- Mark 3:23-29 "In whatever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin."
- Mark 4:39 The disciples and Jesus were in the boat, and he sternly charged them to get up, and told them to give her something to eat.
- Mar 7:16-13 "This people honors me with their lips... you leave the commandment of God... making void the word of God."
- Mar 8:12 No sign will be given to this generation (Nothing like the power of the sea).
- Mar 8:15, 17 And Jesus... said to them, "Why are you discussing... no bread? Do you not yet perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened? 18 Having eyes do you not see, and having ears do you not hear? And do you not yet remember?"
- Mar 9:31-32 The Son of Man will be delivered and killed 32 But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.
- Mar 12:35-40, Luk 20:46-47 "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the market places 39 and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, 40 who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."
- Mar 14:37-42 Watch and pray; the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak
- Mar 16:14 Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at table, and he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen.
- Luk 7:31-35 To what shall I compare this generation...like children...you did not dance; you did not weep." (Spiritually cold and undiscerning)
- Luk 9:55-56 To James and John; But he turned and rebuked them. "Not know what spirit you are of"
- Luk 9:62 "Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."
- Luk 10:41-42 Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things...
- Luk 11:19 "by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges."

Jesus' Earthly Ministry:

- Luk 11:28-32 he began to say, "This generation is an evil generation. It seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah. 30 For as Jonah became a sign to the people of Nineveh, so will the Son of Man be to this generation. 31 The queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with the men of this generation and condemn them...32 The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it."
- Luk 11:21-24 Luk 10:13-16 "Woe to you Pharisees... (and) woe to you lawyers... you have taken away the key of knowledge; you shut the kingdom."
- Luk 12:1-12 "Beware... (of hypocrisy)." Fear him who... has authority to cast into hell."
- Luk 12:14-21 "Fool! This night your soul is required of you..."
- Luk 12:54-59 "You hypocrites! ... you do not know how to interpret the present time... settle quickly... on the way."
- Luk 13:2-5 "Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."
- Luk 13:6-9 "Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?"
- Luk 13:15-16 "You hypocrites! ... ought not you to have said, 'Be loosed...?'"
- Luk 13:18-21 "You hypocrites! ... The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed / leaven..."
- Luk 13:24-30 "Strive to enter... I do not know where you come from... weeping and gnashing of teeth." (To believers)
- Luk 13:32-33 "Go and tell that fox..."
- Luk 14:34 "Salt is good, but... it is of no use... it is thrown away."
- Luk 16:15-31 "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God."
- Luk 17:1 And he said to his disciples, "Stumbling blocks/Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! 2 It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. 3 Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him."
- Luk 17:7 "Will any one of you who has a servant/bondservant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? 8 Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? 9 Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? 10 So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; do whatever we have only done what was our duty.' [This is difficult for most modern Christians to read. It seems incompatible with Scripture, because we have been so conditioned to the idea that God loves us so much. Why do we feel so special, when we have these kinds of things spoken by Jesus?]
- Luk 18:16-17 "Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."
- Luk 19:20 Then another came, saying, 'Lord, here is your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief; 21 for I was afraid of you, because you are a severe man. You take what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.' 22 He said to him, 'I will condemn you with your own words; you wicked servant! You knew that I was a severe man, taking what I did not deposit and repaying what I did not owe? 23 Why then did you not put my mina in the bank, and at my coming I might have collected it with interest?' 24 And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina from him, and give it to the one who has the ten minas.' 25 And they said to him, 'Lord, he has ten minas!' 26 'I tell you, that to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. (We must keep on seeking God, or what we had will be taken away.) 27 But as for these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slaughter them before me.' (Jesus likens God to a harsh master because He knows humans find it hard to understand God dealings in this life.)
- John 1:26 Jesus drives them out of the temple with a whip: "Stop making my Father's house a house of trade."
- John 3:3, 5-21 "Unless one is born again/from above... he cannot... (enter/see)." / "Condemned already... loved the darkness."
- John 4:16-18, 21-24, 26 "You have had five husbands..." Exposing sin.
- John 4:48-50 "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe..."
- Mar 15:7 But Jesus answered them, "My Father is working until now, and I am working." 18 This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him... 24 Truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. (Was Jesus 'driving them away' as we usually say when an unbeliever is upset by the truth?) or, in Mar 19:20 The young man said to him, "All these I have kept. What do I still lack? 21 Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, for you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." 22 When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. (Jesus did not run after him or soften the demands as we do.)
- John 6:26-58 I am the bread of life, eat my flesh and drink my blood.
- John 7:16-24 "Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."
- John 7:28-29 "Who he sent me is true... you do not know him; I know him."
- John 8:10-11 "Go, and from now on sin no more." Forceful.
- John 8:21 "You die in your sin..."
- John 8:23-29 "You are from below... unless you believe... you will die in your sins."
- John 8:31-58 "Slaves of sin... you are of your father the devil..." / "Before Abraham was, I am."
- John 13:7-10 "If I do not wash you... you have no share with me." - Demanding.
- John 19:11 "No authority... unless... given... from above."
- John 21:15-20 You do you love me? X3
- John 21:19-22 What is that to you? (Mind your own business) you follow me

Because we talk so much about God loving us so much develop a neo-Marxionist view, that somehow Jesus of the New Testament is different than God of the Old Testament.

The Pre-Incarnate And The Risen Jesus:

NOTE: This below is not End Times it is during the Church Age - Now:

- Rev 2:2-5 To Ephesus: "I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance... I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place..." (Christ will terminate that congregation's standing and function as his light/witness—a corporate judgment that can culminate in a church's dissolution.)
- Rev 2:6 You hate the works of the Nicolaitans (late is commended)
- Rev 2:9 To Smyrna: "those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan."
- Rev 2:10 "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life."
- Rev 2:14-15 To Pergamum: "You hold Balaam and Nicolaitan teaching."
- Rev 2:16 Repent, or I will war with the sword of my mouth."
- Rev 2:19-27 To Thyatira: "I know your works, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your latter works exceed the first. 20 But I have this against you, that you tolerate a woman, Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess and is teaching and seducing my servants to practice sexual immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols. 21 I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her sexual immorality, 22 Behold, I will throw her onto a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her I will throw into great tribulation, unless they repent of her works; 23 and I will strike her children dead. 26 The one who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations, 27 and he will rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received authority from my Father."
- Rev 3:1-3 To Sardis: "You have a reputation of life, but are dead" 2 Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. 3 Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent, if you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you."
- Rev 3:15-20 To Laodicea: "I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would I wish you were either cold or hot! 16 So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth." For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. 18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments, so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. 19 Those who love, I improve and discipline, so be zealous and repent. 20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me."

Practical Marcionism

Because we talk about God loving us so much, over time we have developed a neo-Marxionist view. Somehow Jesus of the New Testament is different from the God of the Old Testament.

It is rarely an explicit denial, but a drift produced by selective emphasis—hence practical Marcionism: people verbally affirm one God, yet their preaching, instincts, and emotional "God-image" function as if OT God ≠ NT Jesus, and as if the returning Christ as judge is an awkward add-on rather than integral to the same God.

Marcion of Sinope (2nd century) taught the idea that the God of the Old Testament is not the same God revealed by Jesus—often cast as "harsh/justice" versus "kind/love."

Jesus did not change "moods" between covenants.

God is the God of the Old Testament; the God of the Old Testament is the God of the New Testament.

The Jesus of the New Testament is the Jesus of End Times judging.

Example of this drift into neo-Marxionism:

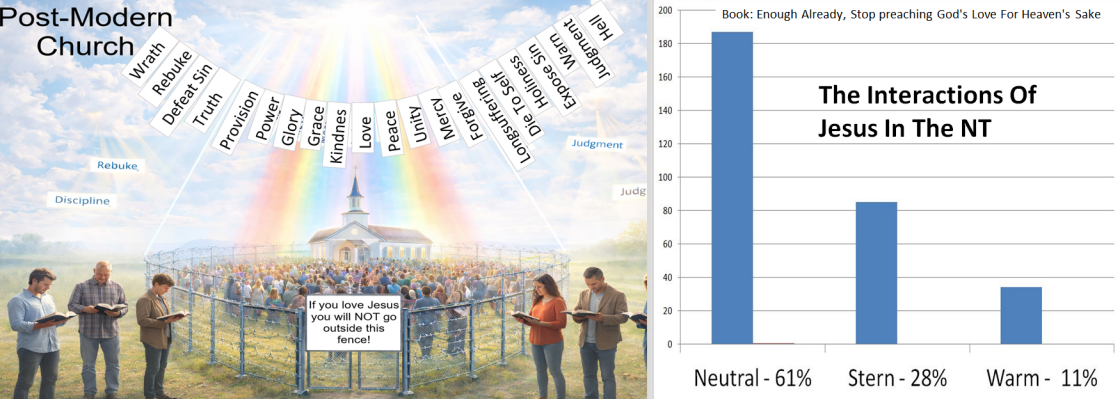
A long time Christian friend actually wrote the following during a discussion with me:

"His love is for the spiritual santarist[sic] (I think he meant sanctity) not in the physical admonishment. Jesus is always love Jesus did leave his life. So is full of love and mercy kindness. We don't serve the God of the old testament, Jesus laid down his life so we don't have to. The angry disciplinary side of God see's us through the 'eyes' of Jesus, we are loved and accepted and saved wars and wars are through Jesus. The people who don't bow their knee to Jesus aren't so lucky, it is they who have to face the God of the old testament, no shedding of blood for them. It's Jesus - Jesus is the key, or the sun/lenses!" (Emphasis added)

When I challenged him on this concept of the Unchanging God changing from one covenant to the next, he said "No, that's not what I mean, you know what I mean." He had no comprehension of the fact that he was holding two opposing views of God simultaneously. So to, much of the modern Church of today.

Direct statements that God "hates" the wicked (persons):

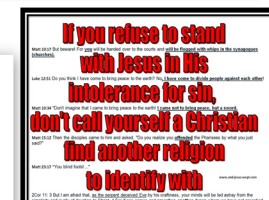
- Psalm 5:6-6 "You hate all evildoers..." the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man."
- Psalm 11:5 — "His soul hates the wicked and the one who loves violence."
- Hosea 9:15 — "There I began to hate them..." I will drive them out..." I will love them no more."
- Malachi 1:2-3, Rom 9:13 — "Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated..."
- Rev 11:18 "your wrath has come..."
- Rev 14:10 "the wine of God's wrath... the cup of his anger..."
- Rev 14:19 "the great winepress of the wrath of God."
- Rev 15:1 "with them God's wrath is completed."
- Rev 15:7 "bowls full of the wrath of God..."
- Rev 16:1 "poured out on the earth the bowls of God's wrath..."
- Rev 16:19 "the wine cup of his furious wrath..."
- Rev 19:15 "the winepress of the furious wrath of God..."



New Testament references explicitly using divine "Wrath" language:

- Mat 3:7, Luk 3:7 "You warned you to flee from the coming wrath?"
- Luk 21:23 "there will be great distress... and wrath against this people"
- John 3:36 "the wrath of God remains on them."
- Rom 1:18 "the wrath of God is revealed... against all ungodliness..."
- Rom 2:5 "you are storing up wrath for yourself... on the day of wrath..."
- Rom 2:8 "wrath and anger" (for those who reject the truth).
- Rom 3:5 "Is God unjust to inflict wrath?" (Paul's posed objection).
- Rom 4:15 "the law brings wrath..."
- Rom 9:22 "objects of wrath prepared for destruction..."
- Rom 12:19 "leave room for God's wrath... Vengeance is mine..."
- Rom 13:4-5 "an agent of wrath to bring punishment... avoid wrath..."
- Eph 2:3 "by nature children of wrath..."
- Eph 5:6 "the wrath of God comes on the sons of disobedience..."
- Col 3:6 "because of these things the wrath of God is coming..."
- 1 Thess 2:16 "they have brought God's wrath on themselves..."
- Heb 3:11, 4:3 "So I swore in my wrath... They will never enter my rest!"
- Rev 6:16-17 "hide us... from the wrath of the Lamb... the great day of his wrath..."

- Rev 11:18 "your wrath has come..."
- Rev 14:10 "the wine of God's wrath... the cup of his anger..."
- Rev 14:19 "the great winepress of the wrath of God."
- Rev 15:1 "with them God's wrath is completed."
- Rev 15:7 "bowls full of the wrath of God..."
- Rev 16:1 "poured out on the earth the bowls of God's wrath..."
- Rev 16:19 "the wine cup of his furious wrath..."
- Rev 19:15 "the winepress of the furious wrath of God..."



"The vague and tenuous hope that God is too kind to punish the ungodly has become a deadly opiate for the consciences of millions." A.W. Tozer

"It is significant that Jesus spoke much more about hell than He did about heaven. (The ratio of references is about 5 to 1.)"

God IS And Can Do No Other

When you understand the fullness of God, you realise that what seems like injustice to us, are things about God that He cannot change. He can do no other.

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