

Go Forward
Why?
Selected Passages

- I. Working Backward to Go Forward
 - A. Churches that stopped going forward
 - 1. Ephesus (Revelation 2:1-7)
 - 2. Laodicea (Revelation 3:14-22)
 - B. Jesus' Go Forward commands
 - 1. Make Disciples (Matthew 28:18-20)
 - 2. Be His Witnesses (Acts 1:6-8)
 - C. Love produces and sustains obedient action
 - 1. Jesus' love for God the Father (John 14:31)
 - 2. Our love for Jesus (John 14:15)
 - D. Love at it's core
 - 1. Jesus died for us (Romans 5:8)
 - 2. We love others (1 John 4:7-21; 2 Corinthians 5:14-21)
- II. Our Go Forward
 - A. Bearing fruit (John 15:5-8)
 - B. Abiding in God's love (John 15:9-14; Jude 20-21)

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"We love, because He first loved us" (1 John 4:19). Our love starts with loving God. It continues in our love for other Christians. It extends to loving those who have not yet been saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

Honestly and prayerfully assess your "love life", allowing the Holy Spirit to reveal truth to you. Get real about this. Don't be deceived. If your life in a given area is not marked by the love described above, you probably need a course correction.

Confess these things to God, submitting to Him. Ask God to work in the areas of your life that need help. Trust God to bring about the results...for His glory.