The terms "Left" and "Right"

appeared during the French Revolution of 1789 when members of the National Assembly divided into supporters of the king to the *president's right* & supporters of the *revolution to his left*



In 1791 When the Legislative Assembly convened comprising entirely new members, the divisions continued. "Innovators" sat on the Left, "moderates" gathered in the center, and "Constitutional defenders" were sitting on the right.



The Gospel of the Left & Right Which is Safest—Extreme Left or Right?

Faith Only?

Eternal security?

Progressive Path?



The Gospel of the Left & Right The *left-right* political **Spectrum** is a system of classifying political positions, ideologies & parties

Left-wing politics & right-wing politics are often presented as OPPOSED.

Although a particular individual or group may take a left-wing stance on one matter and a right-wing stance on another, and some stances may overlap and be considered either left or right-wing by somebody else looking at the issue.

The Gospel of the Left & Ri What was Jesus — on the **Extreme Left or Right?** Or on God's Path? He ate with sinners. (Mk 2:13-17 He forgave adulteresses. (Jn 8:11) He picked grain on Sabbath. (Mk 2:23-28) He talked to Samaritan women. (John 4:9) He lived under the law of Moses (Gal 4:4). In the will of God (John 4:34). And lived without sin (Heb 4:15)

The Gospel of the Left & Right So Are You Liberal or Conservative? OR BOTH?

Liberal in Giving (2 Cor 9:6)

Liberal in Loving (John 13:34)

Liberal in Forgiving (Mat 6:14)

Liberal in Thanksgiving (1 Thes 5:18)

Anti-Sin (Eph 5:11)

Anti-Satan (James 4:7)

Anti-Partiality (1 Tim 5:21)

Anti-Same gender marriage (1 Cor 6:9)

he Gospel of the Left & R But what do Liberal & Conservative mean? **Dictionary.net 30th of 30 definitions of Liberal:** "Tolerant of change; not bound by authoritarianism [tyrannical], orthodoxy [accepted belief or doctrine], or tradition [inherited thought]." But Man-made or Biblical? (Mk 7:3; 2 Thes 2:15) **Dictionary.net 9th of 27 definitions of Conservative:** "One who desires to maintain existing institutions and customs...not radical or revolutionary." (But maintain or IMPROVE church evangelism???)



The Gospel of the Left & Right Sect to Denomination Evolution



Emphasize Doctrine High Moral Standards Intolerant of other religions. High Emphasis on Evangelism

Emphasize Social Issues Lower Moral Standards set by Society Tolerant of other religions Low expectations for Evangelism

Denomination

The Gospel of the Left & Right Seeking God's Biblical Path John 14:6 "*I am the way*, and the truth,

and the life"

Jer 6:16 *Stand* by the ways and *see* and *ask* for the ancient paths, where the good way is, and *walk* in it."

Col 3:17 "And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord."

Ps 119:18 *Open my eyes*, that I may behold *Wonderful things* from Thy law.

The Gospel of the Left & Right Avoiding PEJORATIVE LANGUAGE

Defined: Derogatory, defamatory, abusive, insulting.

If you are trying to reach someone *honest*. (Col 4:6)

Col 4:5 Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, *making the most* of the opportunity.

