

7 Reasons Why Christians Should be Positive:

1. _____
"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ."
Romans 8:1
2. _____
"Through Christ, the law of the Spirit has set me free from the law of sin and death."
Romans 8:2
3. _____
"In the same way the Spirit helps us in our weakness."
Romans 8:26
4. _____
"We know that all things work for the good of those who love Him, who've been called according to His purpose." "Romans 8:28
5. _____
"What then shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?"
Romans 8:31
6. _____
"He did not spare His own son but gave Him up for us all. How will He not also along with Him graciously give us all things."
Romans 8:32
7. _____
"I'm convinced that neither death nor life, nor angels nor demons, or things present or things future, nor any powers, nor any heights or depths nor anything in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38



"Compatibility"

Authenticity – the character of being yourself.

Vulnerability – the character of sharing yourself.

Credibility – the character of being trustworthy.

Compatibility – the character of getting along with others.

"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."
Ephesians 4:3

So then, let us aim for harmony in the church and try to build each other up.
Romans 14:9

What Compatibility looks like:

1. In the essentials _____
Essentials are what we call doctrine.

"God gave some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of ministry so that the body of Christ may be built up."
Ephesians 4:11-12

"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them that their work will be a joy and not a burden for that would be no advantage to you."
Hebrews 13:17

2. In non-essential beliefs _____
"Accept him whose faith is weak without passing judgment on disputable matters. ... 12 So then each of us will give an account of himself to God...22 So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God."
Romans 14:1,12,22

3. And in all our beliefs _____
"If I hold in my mind, not only all human knowledge but also the very secrets of God and if I have the faith that can move mountains, but have no love, I amount to nothing at all."
1 Corinthians 13:2

God has given us this task of reconciling people to him.
2 Corinthians 5:18

What do we do with the troublemaker?
If people are causing divisions among you, give a first and second warning. After that, have nothing more to do with them. Titus 3:10

4 Actions Of Compatibility:

"By this shall all men know that you're My disciples that you have love one for another."
John 13:34-35

1. Be _____
Don't just pretend that you love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Stand on the side of the good.
Romans 12:9

We now have this light shining in our hearts, but we ourselves are like fragile clay jars containing this great treasure. This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves.
2 Corinthians 4:7

2. Be _____
Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other.
Romans 12:10

Phillips translation: "be willing to let other people have the credit."

3. Be _____
Never be lazy in your work, but **serve the Lord** enthusiastically.
Romans 12:11

"en theos" where we get our word "enthusiasm"
literally translates to: **"in God"**

"I know your deeds that you are neither cold or hot. I wish you were either one or the other. So because you are lukewarm, neither cold or hot, I'm about to spit you out of my mouth."
Revelation 3:15

Work hard and cheerfully at whatever you do, as though you were working for the LORD rather than for people.
Colossians 3:23

4. Be _____
Be glad for all God is planning for you.
Romans 12:12a