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PROGRESSIVES BELIEVE

- Marriage is for any two adults, including LGBTQ people who wish to marry
- You can be a pastor and be a married LGBTQ person
- They believe that the radical nature of Jesus’ love and the scriptures about caring for the vulnerable and marginalized define God’s will for humans more than the scriptures that speak against same-gender relations

TRADITIONALISTS BELIEVE

- Marriage is between one man and one woman, not persons of the same gender
- You can’t be a pastor if you are a married LGBTQ person
- They believe God’s love is for everyone, but that the scriptures that speak against same-gender relations represent God’s timeless will for humans

FOUR VIEWS



THE OFFICIAL VOICE, OR GUIDEBOOK, OF THE UMC CURRENTLY CONTAINS MULTIPLE STATEMENTS ON THIS. IT IS CALLED “THE BOOK OF DISCIPLINE.”