

Sermon Outline: 10.16.22

Sermon Series: **Keeping It Between the Ditches**
Sermon Title: (1) *Maintaining Your Alignment*
Sermon Text: Proverbs 4:20-27

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(*I'm going to work back through those verses which a brief explanation of each.*)

Apparent Contradictions in God's Word

Is God holy, or is God loving?

Are we elected by God to be saved, or do we have a choice?

Did Jesus set us free, or are we now His servants?

**These are NOT contradictions, they ARE
GOD-DESIGNED TENSIONS!**

(Deuteronomy 29:29)

(Isaiah 55:8-9)

(Romans 11:33-36)

(1st Corinthians 13:12)

(2nd Peter 3:16)

Many Bible Doctrines Are Paradoxical

Thesis + Antithesis = Synthesis

Holy + Loving = Salvation

(Insert Vehicle Wheel Alignment Picture)

To Keep It Between the Ditches...

Maintain Your Alignment

Don't try to resolve all the Biblical tensions.

Instead learn to trust and live between them.

(2nd Peter 3:17-18)

Keep Jesus Christ the Center of theology and life.

(John 14:6)

We can't get where we want to go without Jesus.

Take the Word of God as literally as possible.

Don't explain away verses to fit our understanding.