

Acting Ethically Even While Seething With Dislike

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Disclaimers

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TRUE OR FALSE

1. 1 in 10 Americans stopped talking to a family member or close friend because of the political divide. (Reuters)

2. Americans are more likely to discriminate against a few of those in the opposing party than they do people of different races. (Stanford & Princeton study 2015)

Quiz!

FALSE: 1 in 6

TRUE

3

TRUE OR FALSE

3. We are now defining ourselves by the groups we hate (“othering”).

TRUE

We secure our own identity by stigmatizing the identity of someone else creating a hard line between “us” and “them.”

Arthur C. Brooks, [Love Your Enemies](#)

“Can there be any greater evil than discord and distraction and plurality where unity ought to reign? Or any greater good than the bond of unity? There cannot.” Plato’s *The Republic*

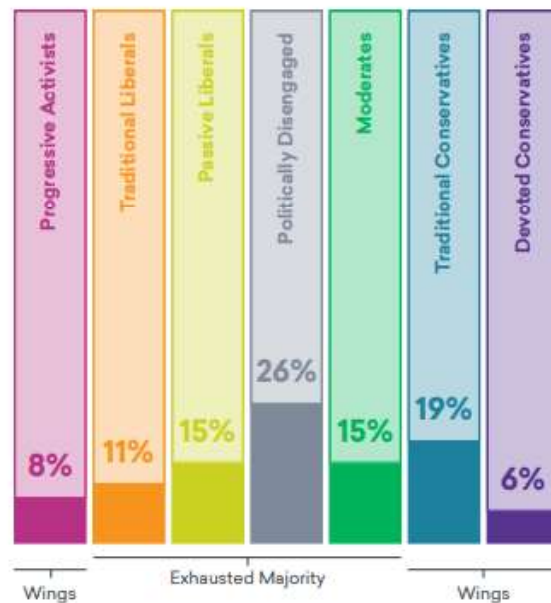
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TRUE OR FALSE

4. 93% of Americans are tired of how divided we have become as a country. (More in Common)

**TRUE—
“exhausted
majority”**

The Hidden Tribes of America



“American Fabric: Identity and Belonging,” More in Common, December 2020

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